

# Sources of GeV Photons and the Fermi Results

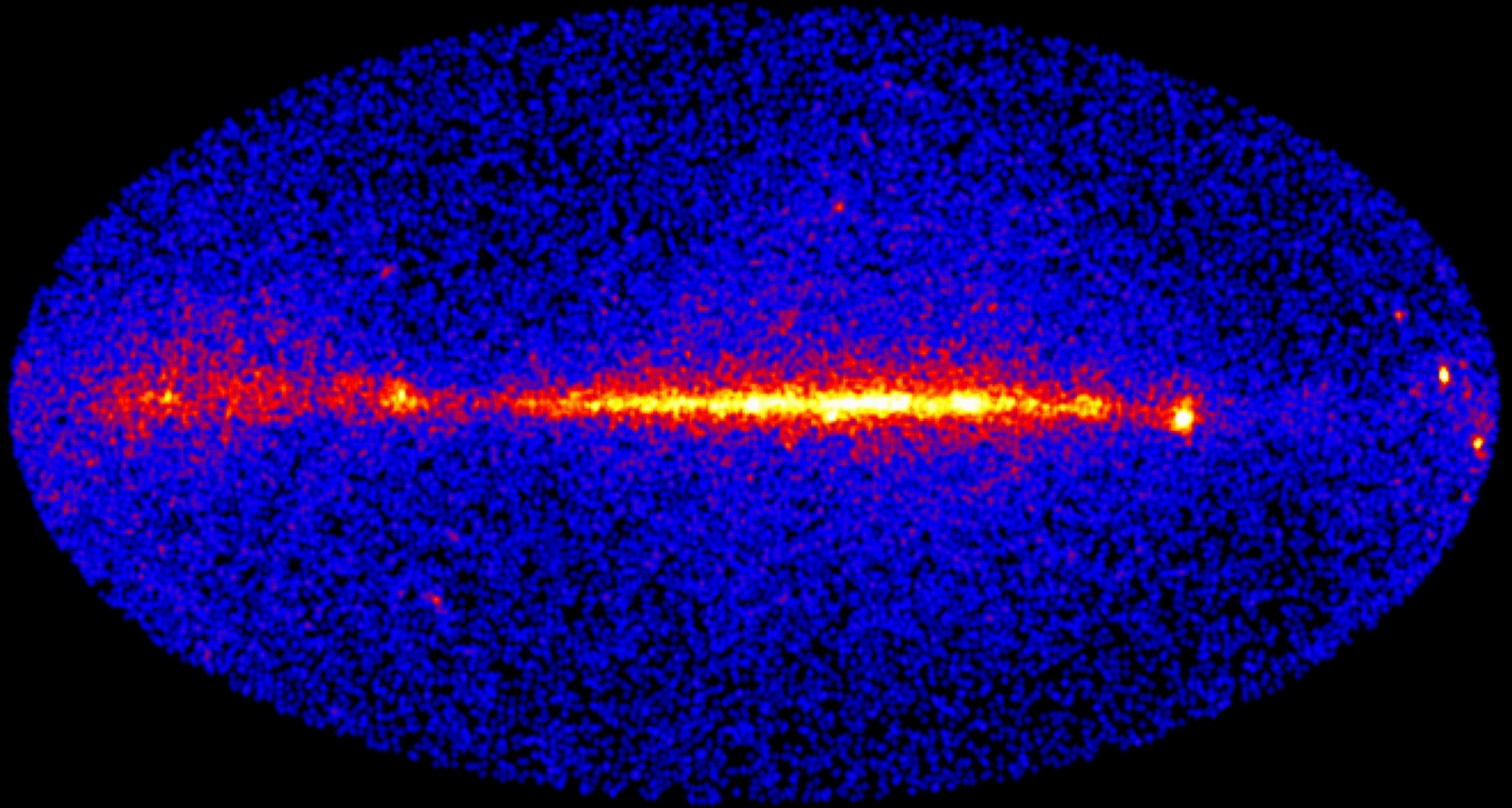
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1. GeV instrumentation and the GeV sky with the Fermi Gamma-ray Space Telescope
2. First Fermi Catalog of Gamma Ray Sources and the Fermi Pulsar Catalog
3. First Fermi AGN Catalog
- 4. Relativistic jet physics and blazars**
5.  $\gamma$  rays from cosmic rays in the Galaxy
- 6  $\gamma$  rays from star-forming galaxies and clusters of galaxies, and the diffuse extragalactic  $\gamma$ -ray background
7. Microquasars, radio galaxies, and the extragalactic background light
8. Fermi Observations of Gamma Ray Bursts
9. Fermi acceleration, ultra-high-energy cosmic rays, and Fermi

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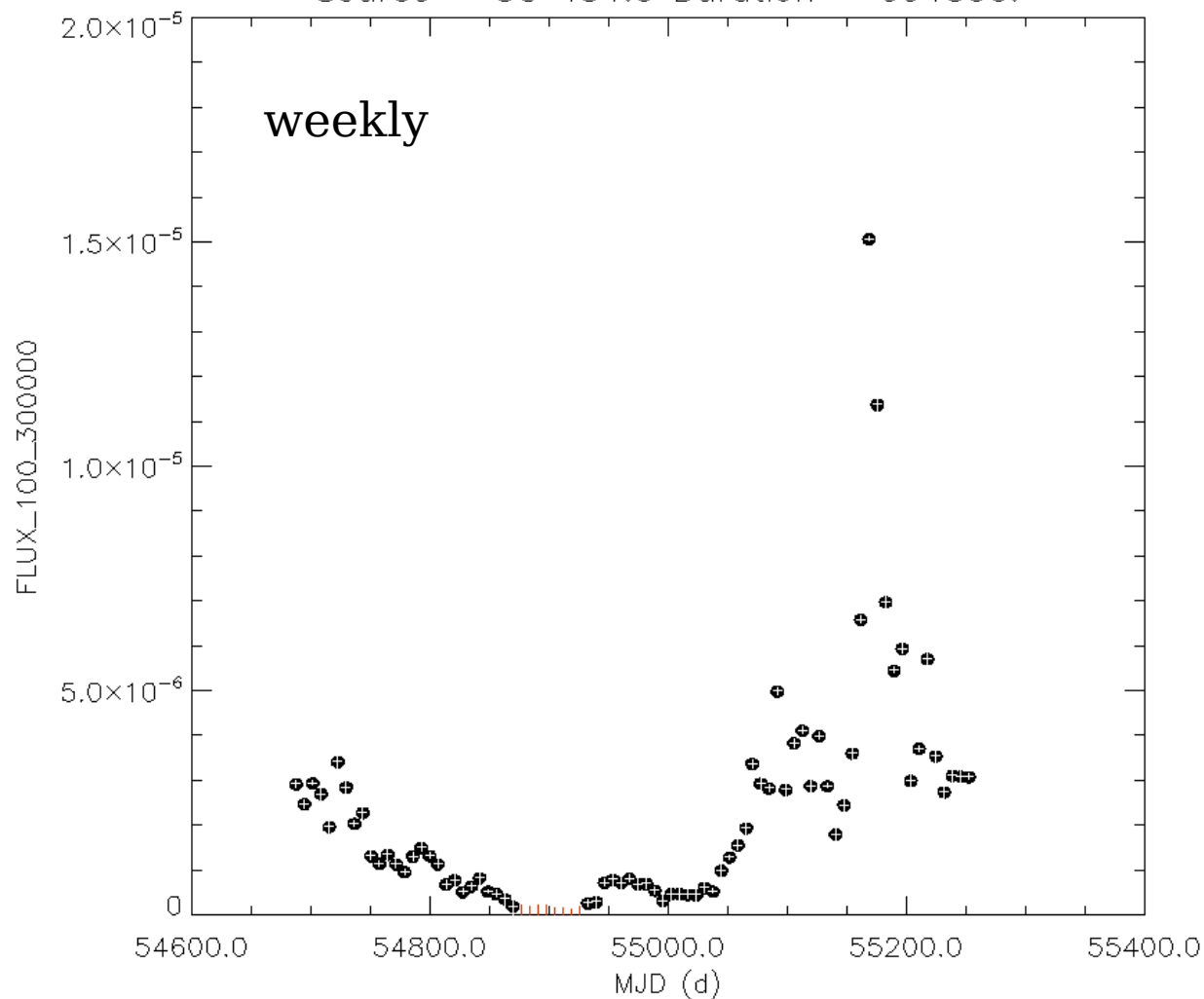
# Blazar 3C 454.3's Record Flare



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# 3C 454.3 Light Curves

Source = 3C 454.3 Duration = 604800.

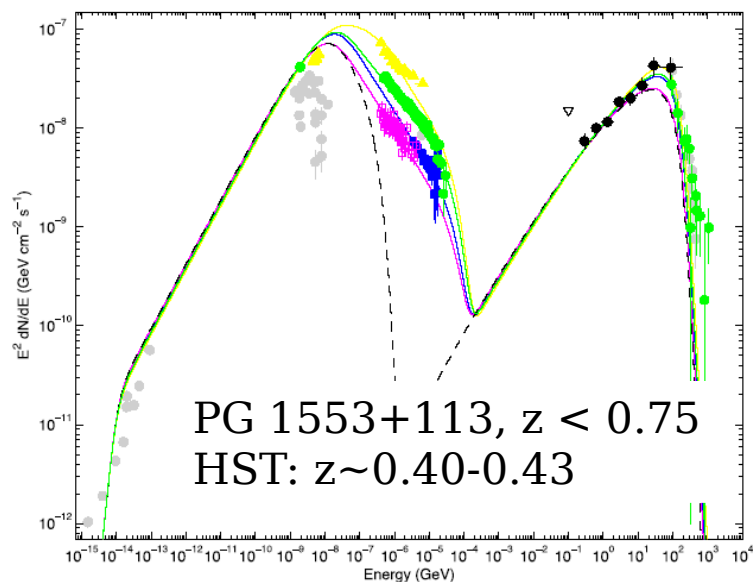


# Spectral Energy Distributions of Blazars

Preliminary (not for distribution)

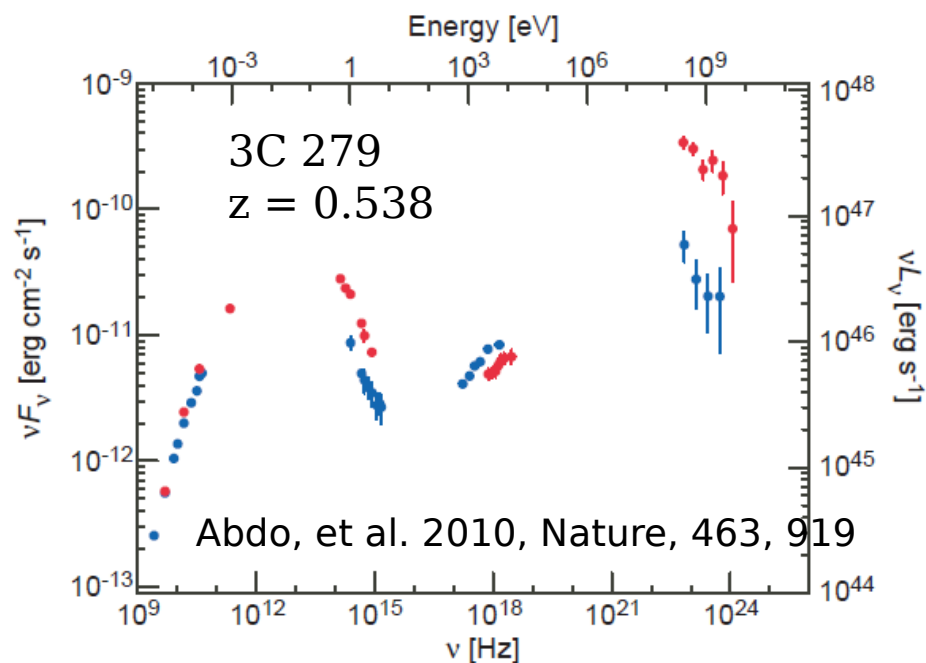
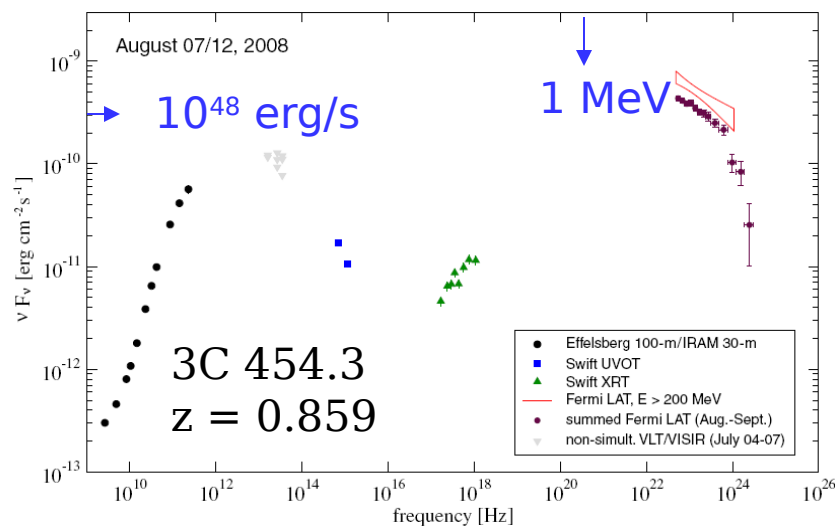


Mrk 501,  $z = 0.033$



Abdo, et al. 2010, ApJ, 708, 1310

Abdo, et al. 2009, ApJ, 699, 817



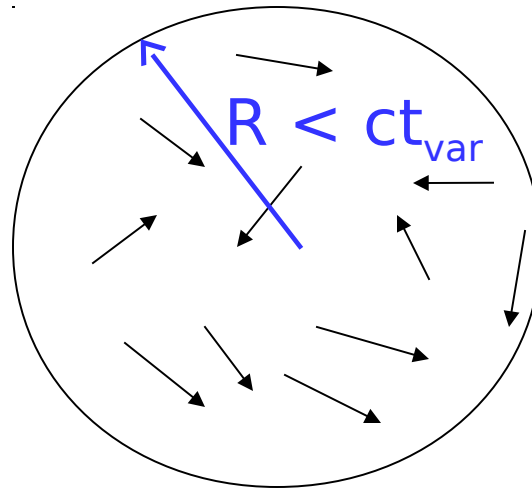
Abdo, et al. 2010, Nature, 463, 919

## Demonstrations of Relativistic Outflows

1. Compton catastrophe
2. Superluminal motion
3.  $\gamma\gamma$  opacity argument

$$\gamma + \gamma' \rightarrow e^+ + e^-$$

$$\tau_{\gamma\gamma} \approx \sigma_{\gamma\gamma} n_{\gamma} R, \quad \sigma_{\gamma\gamma} \approx \sigma_T$$



$$n_{\gamma} \approx \frac{L_{\gamma}}{4\pi R^2 c E_{\gamma}}$$



$$\tau_{\gamma\gamma} \approx \frac{\sigma_T L_{\gamma}}{4\pi m_e c^4 t_{\text{var}}} \approx 1000 \frac{L_{\gamma} / (10^{48} \text{ erg/s})}{t_{\text{var}} (\text{day})}$$

3C 120

# Blazar Modeling

Nonthermal  $\gamma$  rays  $\Rightarrow$  relativistic particles + intense photon fields

## Leptonic jet model:

Nonthermal synchrotron paradigm  
 Associated SSC and EC components  
 Location of emission site

## Hadronic jet model:

Secondary nuclear production



Proton and ion synchrotron radiation



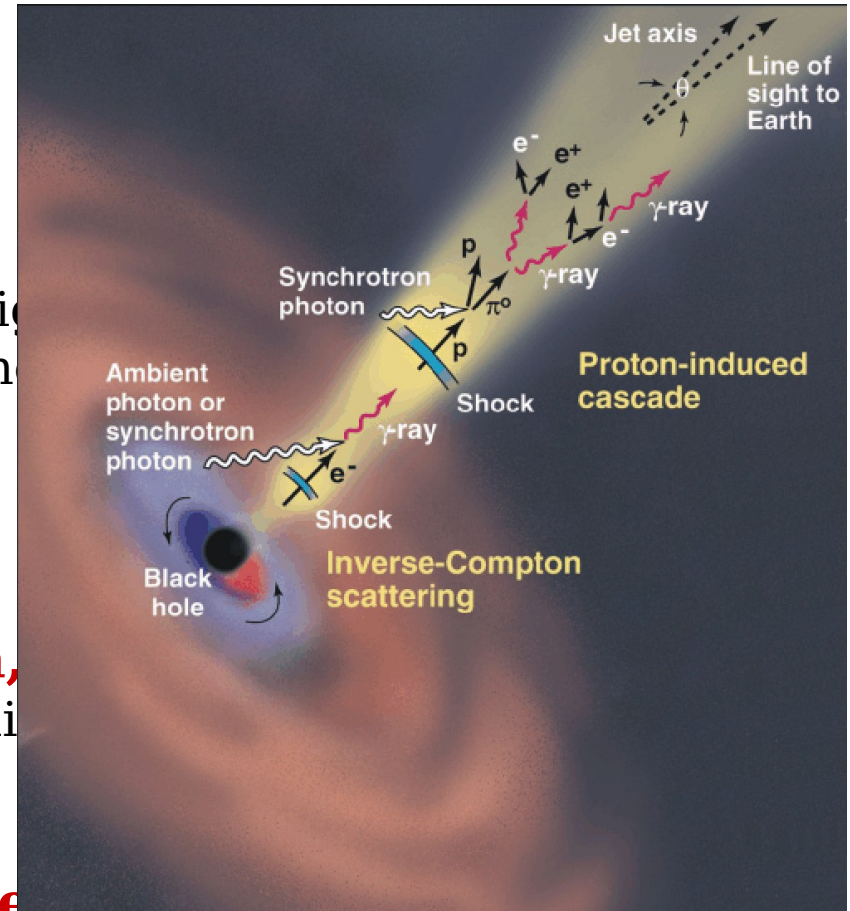
Photomeson production



High energy  $\gamma$ -ray component from  $\gamma\gamma' \rightarrow e^\pm \rightarrow$

$\gamma$  by Compton or synchrotron processes

Neutrons escape to become UHECRs





# Black Hole Jet Physics: AGNs

Observe  
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**Synchrotron/Compton**  
**on**

**Leptonic Jet Model**  
**BL Lac vs. FSRQs**

**Target photons for scattering**  
**Accretion regime**

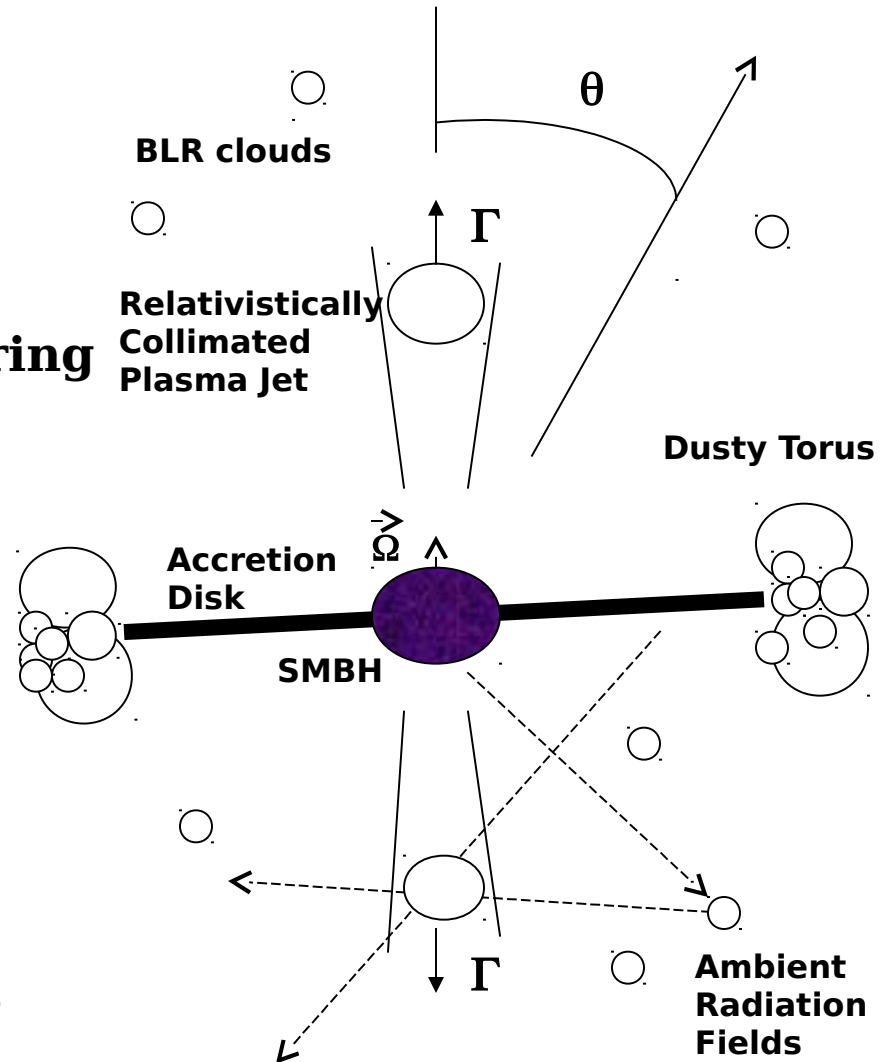
**Blob Formalism**

**Energy Sources:**

- 1. Accretion Power**
- 2. Rotation Power**

**Supermassive Black Holes**

Identifying hadronic emissions



# Doppler Factor

$$\delta_D \equiv [\Gamma(1 - \beta \cos \theta)]^{-1}$$

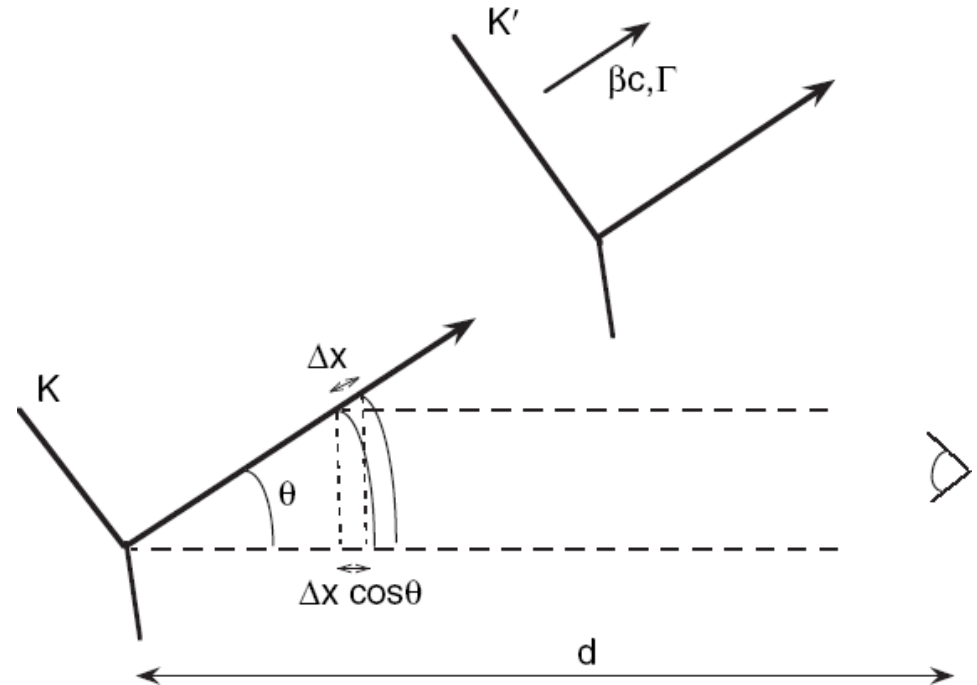
$$\Delta x = \beta c \Delta t_* = \beta \Gamma c \Delta t'$$

$$t = t_* + \frac{d}{c} - \frac{x \cos \theta}{c}$$

$$t + \Delta t = t_* + \Delta t_* + \frac{d}{c} - \frac{(x + \Delta x) \cos \theta}{c}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta t = \frac{\Delta x}{\beta c} (1 - \beta \cos \theta) = \Gamma \Delta t' (1 - \beta \cos \theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta t = \frac{\Delta t'}{\delta_D} \quad \theta = 0 \Rightarrow \Delta t = \frac{\Delta x}{\beta c} (1 - \beta) \rightarrow \frac{\Delta x}{\Gamma^2 c}$$



$$dt = \frac{(1 + z) dt'}{\delta_D}$$

$$\varepsilon = \frac{\delta_D \varepsilon'}{(1 + z)}$$



# Variability and Source Size

Source size from direct observations:

$$r'_b \cong d_A \vartheta \cong 2 \left( \frac{d_A}{10^{27} \text{ cm}} \right) \vartheta (\text{mas}) \text{ pc}$$

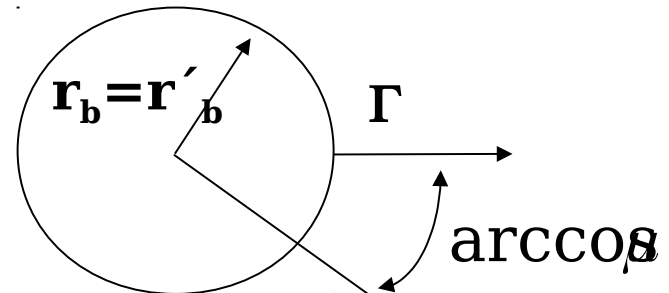
Source size from temporal variability:

$$r_b \lesssim ct'_{var} = c\delta_D t_{var} / (1 + z)$$

$$r'_b (\text{cm}) < \frac{2.5 \times 10^{15} \delta_D t_{var} (\text{day})}{(1 + z)}$$

Variability timescale implies maximum emission region size scale

**Spherical blob in comoving frame**



**Doppler Factor**

$$\delta_D = [\Gamma(1 - \beta\mu)]^{-1}$$

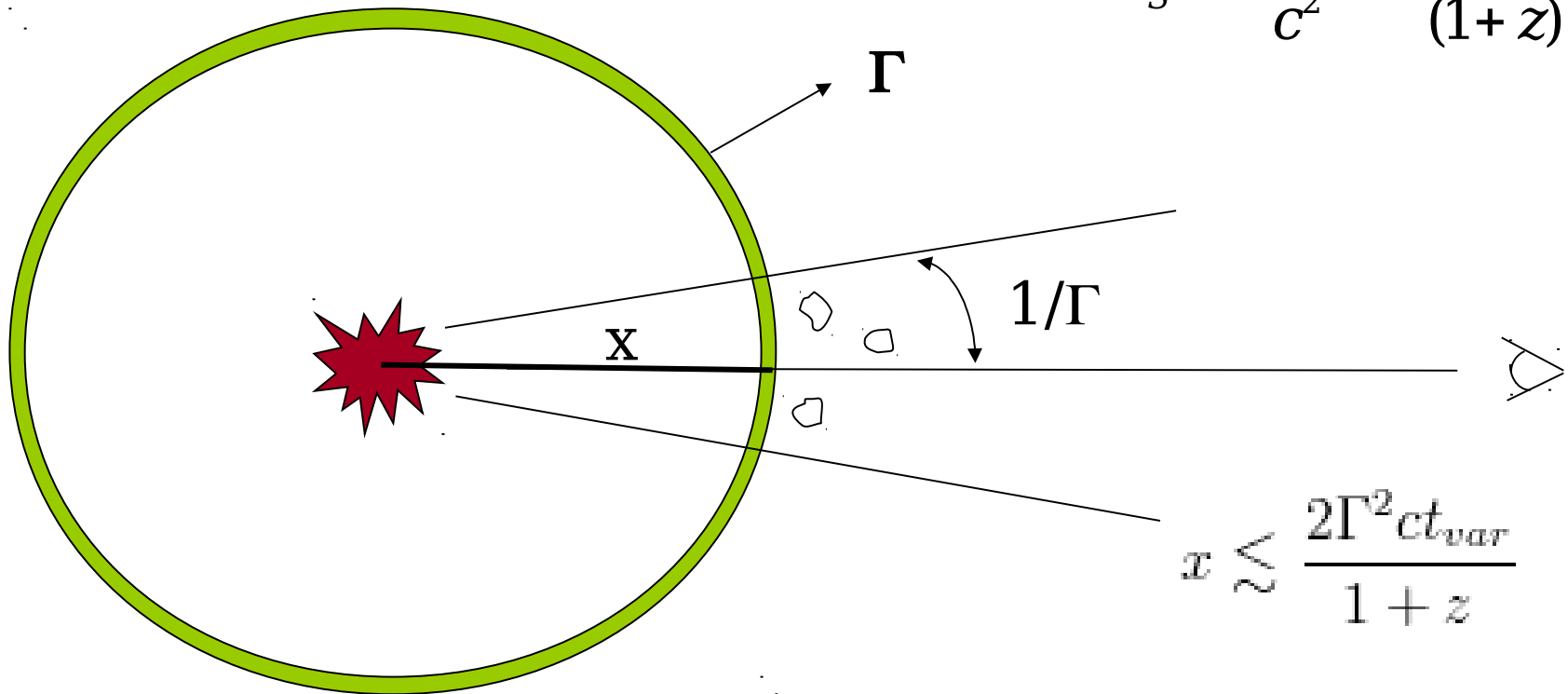
# Variability and Source

Location

$$c\Delta t/(1+z) \cong x(1 - \cos \theta) \cong x\theta^2/2 \cong x/2\Gamma^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x \cong 2\Gamma^2 c\Delta t/(1+z)$$

$$R_s = \frac{2GM}{c^2} < \frac{ct_{\text{var}}}{(1+z)}$$



Variability timescale implies engine size scale, comoving size scale factor  $\approx \Gamma$  larger and emission location  $\sim \Gamma^2$  larger than values inferred for stationary region

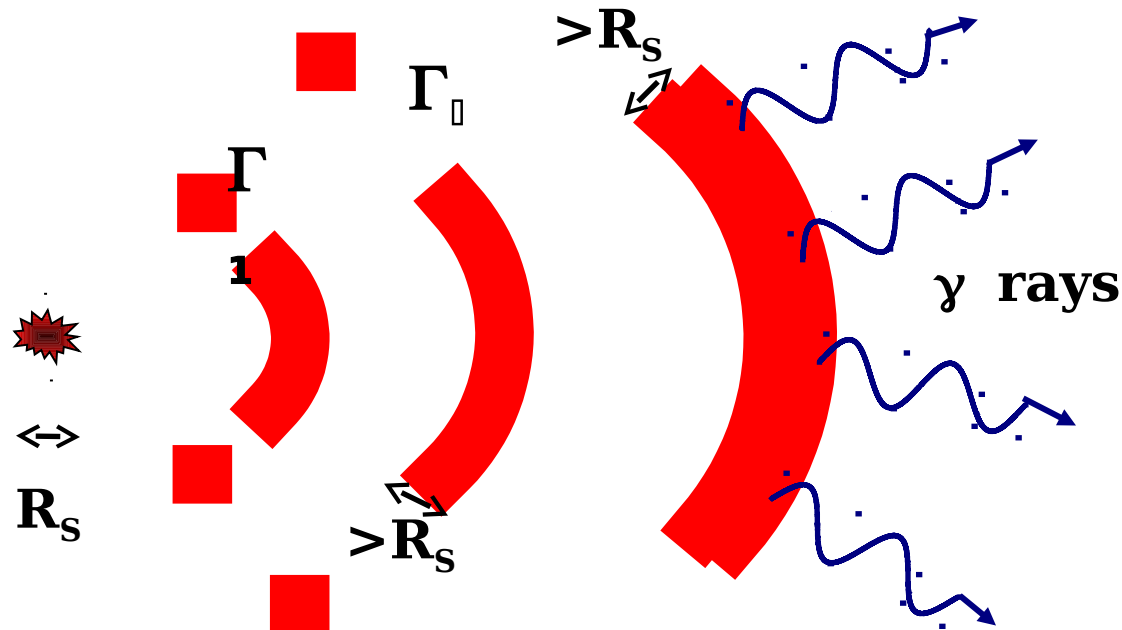
Rapid variability by energizing regions within the Doppler cone

# Temporal Variability

Size scale in stationary frame:  $R > R_s$

Size scale in comoving frame:  $R' = \Gamma R > \Gamma R_s$

(Lorentz contracted to size  $R$  in stationary frame)



**INTERNAL  
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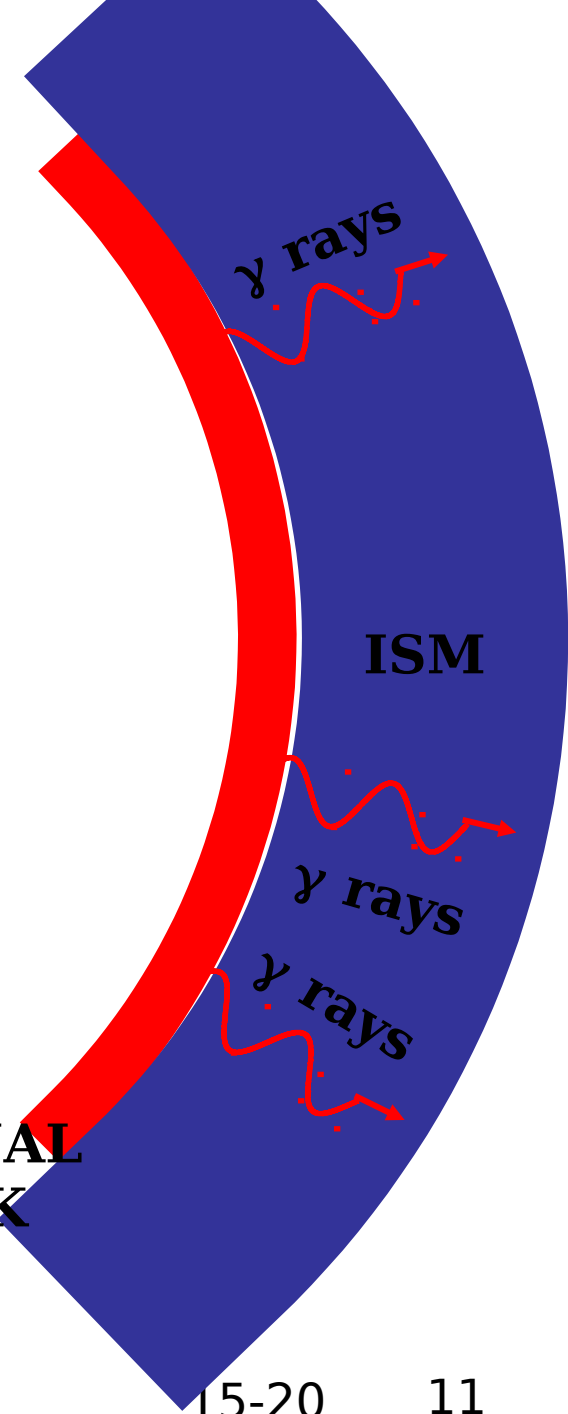
$$t'_{\text{var}} > R/c > \Gamma R_s/c$$

$$t_{\text{var}} = t'_{\text{var}} / \Gamma > R_s/c$$

**EXTERNAL  
SHOCK**

**HESS collaboration incorrectly takes  $R \approx R_s$**

e.g., Aharonian et al. 2007, ApJ, 664, L71



# Energy Fluxes, Blobs and Blast Waves

Measured:  $z$  ( $\Rightarrow d_L$ ),  $\nu F_\nu$  flux,  
 $t_v$  and jet angle  $\theta_j$  for blob  
model

**Total Energy Flux:** 
$$\frac{dE}{dA dt} = \frac{L}{4\pi d_L^2}$$

**Spectral Energy Flux:**

$$f_\varepsilon (\text{erg cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}) = \nu F_\nu$$

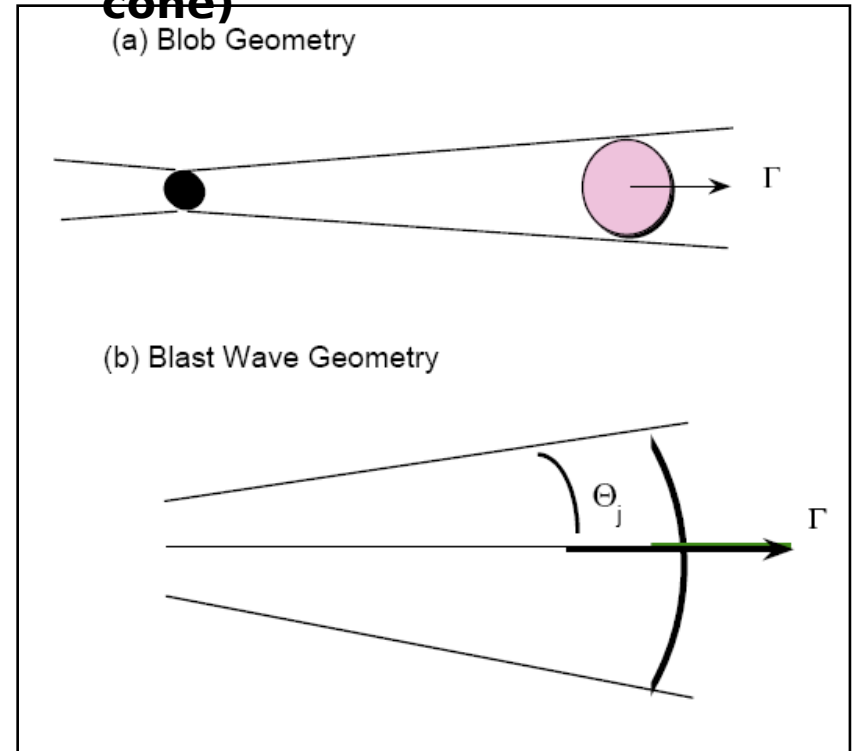
$$\text{Blob } \Phi \approx \delta_D^4 \frac{L'_y}{4\pi d_L^2}$$

$$f_\varepsilon = \nu F_\nu = \frac{\delta_D^4 \varepsilon \mathbb{L}(\varepsilon \mathbb{I})}{4\pi d_L^2}, r'_b = \frac{c \delta_D t_v}{1+z}$$

$$\text{Blast Wave } \Phi \approx \Gamma^2 \frac{L'_y}{4\pi d_L^2}$$

$$f_\varepsilon = \nu F_\nu = \frac{\Gamma^2 \varepsilon \mathbb{L}(\varepsilon \mathbb{I})}{4\pi d_L^2}, R = \frac{c \Gamma^2 t_v}{1+z}, R' = R/\Gamma$$

**Blob (off-axis jet model) vs.  
Blast Wave (observer within jet  
cone)**



Blob and blast  
wave framework  
are equivalent  
for opacity  
calculations

# Internal Radiation

## Fields

Instantaneous energy flux  $\Phi$  (erg cm<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>); variability time  $t_v$ , redshift  $z$

**Blob:**  $\Phi \approx \delta_D^4 \frac{L'_y}{4\pi d_L^2}, \quad u'_y \sim \frac{L_\gamma t_{esc}}{V_\gamma} \sim \frac{3d_L^2 \Phi}{\delta_D^4 r^2 c}, \quad t_{esc} \sim r/c \sim \Delta t' \approx \frac{\delta_D t_v}{1+z}$

$$u'_y \approx \frac{3d_L^2 (1+z)^2 \Phi}{\delta_D^6 t_v^2 c^3} \quad \text{or} \quad n'_y(\epsilon_\gamma) \cong \frac{3d_L^2 (1+z)^2 f_\epsilon}{m_e c^5 \epsilon^2 \delta_D^6 t_v^2}$$

$$n'_{ph}(\epsilon_\gamma) \cong \frac{3d_L^2 f_\epsilon}{m_e c^3 \epsilon^2 \delta_D^4 r^2} \quad r' \approx \frac{c \delta_D t_v}{1+z}, \quad \epsilon' \cong \frac{(1+z)\epsilon}{\delta_D}$$

**Blast Wave:**

$$u'_y \cong \frac{4\pi d_L^2 \Phi}{4\pi R^2 \Gamma^2 c} \cong \frac{d_L^2 (1+z)^2 \Phi}{\Gamma^6 t_v^2 c^3} \quad \text{or} \quad n'_y(\epsilon_\gamma) \cong \frac{d_L^2 (1+z)^2 f_\epsilon}{m_e c^5 \epsilon^2 \Gamma^6 t_v^2}$$

$$R' = R/\Gamma, R = \frac{c \Gamma^2 t_v}{1+z}, \quad \epsilon' \cong \frac{(1+z)\epsilon}{\Gamma}$$

## Internal Magnetic Fields and Power

Internal energy density  $u' = u_{\gamma}/\epsilon_e$  implies a jet magnetic field

$$B \cong \sqrt{8\pi\epsilon_B u' / \epsilon_e}$$

$\epsilon_e$  is fraction of total energy density in nonthermal electrons  
assumed to be producing the  $\gamma$  rays

$\epsilon_B$  is fraction of total energy density in magnetic field

Apparent Jet Power

$$P_j = 4\pi R^2 \beta c \Gamma^2 (u_B + u_{par} + u_{\gamma})$$

Absolute Jet Power

$$P_j = 2\pi r_b^2 \beta c \delta_D^2 \left[ \frac{\Gamma^2}{\delta_D^2} \right] (u_B + u_{par} + u'_{\gamma})$$

$$r'_b \approx \frac{c \delta_D t_v}{1+z}$$

# $\gamma\gamma$ Opacity

The absorption probability per unit pathlength is

$$\frac{d\tau_{\gamma\gamma}(\epsilon_1)}{dx} = \frac{\dot{N}_{s\epsilon}}{c} = \oint d\Omega (1 - \mu) \int_0^\infty d\epsilon n_{ph}(\epsilon, \Omega) \sigma_{\gamma\gamma}(s) ,$$

from eq. (2.40), where  $\dot{N}_{s\epsilon}$  is the  $\gamma$ -ray absorption rate, and the dependence on  $\epsilon_1$  is contained in the definition of  $s$ , eq. (10.3). For an *isotropic* photon field,

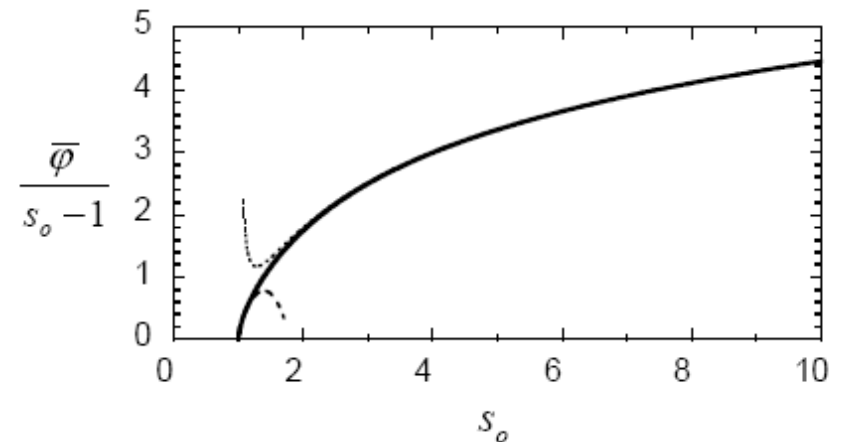
$$\frac{d\tau_{\gamma\gamma}}{dx} = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 d\mu (1 - \mu) \int_0^\infty d\epsilon n_{ph}(\epsilon) \sigma_{\gamma\gamma}(s) .$$

This can be written [243, 244, 245] in the form

$$\frac{d\tau_{\gamma\gamma}}{dx} = \frac{\pi r_e^2}{\epsilon_1^2} \int_{1/\epsilon_1}^\infty d\epsilon \epsilon^{-2} n_{ph}(\epsilon) \bar{\varphi}(s_0) ,$$

where  $s_0 \equiv \epsilon\epsilon_1$ , and

$$\bar{\varphi}(s_0) = 2 \int_1^{s_0} ds \frac{s\sigma_{\gamma\gamma}(s)}{\pi r_e^2}$$





## $\gamma\gamma$ Opacity: $\delta$ -function approximation

In cases where the external radiation can be approximated as isotropic, a mean interaction takes place with  $\theta \approx \pi/2$  or  $\mu = 0$ . In this case, we can write

$$\frac{d\tau_{\gamma\gamma}}{dx} \cong \int_{2/\epsilon_1}^{\infty} d\epsilon \sigma_{\gamma\gamma}(\epsilon_1\epsilon) n_{ph}(\epsilon; x). \quad (10.31)$$

Given this assumption, the simplest invariant cross section that can be formed from the (quasi-)invariant  $\epsilon\epsilon_1$  is

$$\sigma_{\gamma\gamma}(\epsilon\epsilon_1) \cong \frac{2}{3} \sigma_T \delta(\epsilon\epsilon_1 - 2) \cong \frac{2}{3} \frac{\sigma_T}{\epsilon_1} \delta\left(\epsilon - \frac{2}{\epsilon_1}\right) \cong \frac{1}{3} \sigma_T \epsilon \delta\left(\epsilon - \frac{2}{\epsilon_1}\right) \quad (10.32)$$

[250], where the coefficient improves comparison with numerical results.

The photoabsorption optical depth for a  $\gamma$ -ray photon with energy  $\epsilon_1$  in a radiation field with spectral photon density  $n_{ph}(\epsilon', \mu'; r') (\approx n_{ph}(\epsilon')/2$  for a uniform isotropic radiation field in the comoving frame) is [244]

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_{\gamma\gamma}(\epsilon'_1) &= \int_{r'_1}^{\tau'_2} dr' \int_{-1}^1 d\mu' (1 - \mu') \int_{2/\epsilon'_1(1-\mu')}^{\infty} d\epsilon' \sigma_{\gamma\gamma}[\epsilon' \epsilon'_1 (1 - \mu')] n_{ph}(\epsilon', \mu'; r') \\ &\cong r'_b \int_0^{\infty} d\epsilon' \sigma_{\gamma\gamma}(\epsilon', \epsilon'_1) n'_{ph}(\epsilon'). \end{aligned} \quad (10.33)$$

## $\gamma\gamma$ Opacity : $\delta$ -function approximation for Blob

$$\frac{d\tau_{\gamma\gamma}(\varepsilon_{\text{I}})}{dx_{\text{I}}} \cong \int_0^\infty d\varepsilon_{\text{I}} \sigma_{\gamma\gamma}(s_{\text{I}}) n_{ph}(\varepsilon_{\text{I}}), \quad \sigma_{\gamma\gamma}(s_{\text{I}}) \cong \frac{2}{3} \sigma_T \delta(s_{\text{I}} - 2)$$

$$\tau_{\gamma\gamma}(\varepsilon_{\text{I}}) \approx \frac{2}{3} \sigma_T r_{\text{I}} \int_0^\infty d\varepsilon_{\text{I}} \frac{\delta(\varepsilon_{\text{I}} - 2/\varepsilon_{\text{I}})}{\varepsilon_{\text{I}}} n_{ph}(\varepsilon_{\text{I}}) \quad \varepsilon_{\text{I}} = 2/\varepsilon_{\text{I}}$$

$$\approx \frac{2}{3} \frac{\sigma_T r_{\text{I}} n_{ph}(2/\varepsilon_{\text{I}})}{\varepsilon_{\text{I}}} \quad n_{\gamma}(\varepsilon_{\text{I}}) \cong \frac{3d_L^2 (1+z)^2 f_\varepsilon}{m_e c^5 \varepsilon_{\text{I}}^2 \delta_D^6 t_v^2}$$

$$n_{ph}(\varepsilon_{\text{I}}) \cong \frac{3d_L^2 f_\varepsilon}{m_e c^3 \varepsilon_{\text{I}}^2 \delta_D^4 r'^2} \Rightarrow \tau_{\gamma\gamma}(\varepsilon_{\text{I}}) \cong \frac{2\sigma_T}{3\varepsilon_{\text{I}}} \frac{3d_L^2 f_\varepsilon}{m_e c^3 \varepsilon_{\text{I}}^2 \delta_D^4 r'}$$

$$\varepsilon_{\text{I}} = \frac{(1+z)\varepsilon}{\delta_D}$$

# Minimum Doppler factor approximation for Blob

$$\tau_{yy}(\varepsilon_1) \cong \frac{2\sigma_T}{\varepsilon_1} \frac{d_L^2 f_\varepsilon}{m_e c^3 \varepsilon_1^2 \delta_D^4 r_1}$$

$$\tau_{yy}(\varepsilon_1) \cong \frac{\sigma_T}{2} \frac{d_L^2 f_\varepsilon \varepsilon_1}{m_e c^3 \delta_D^4 r_1}$$

$$\tau_{yy}(\varepsilon_1) \cong \frac{\sigma_T (1+z)^2 d_L^2 f_{\hat{\varepsilon}} \varepsilon_1}{2m_e c^4 \delta_D^4 t_v}$$

$$\varepsilon_1 = 2 / \varepsilon_1$$

$$\varepsilon_1 = \frac{(1+z)\varepsilon_1}{\delta_D}$$

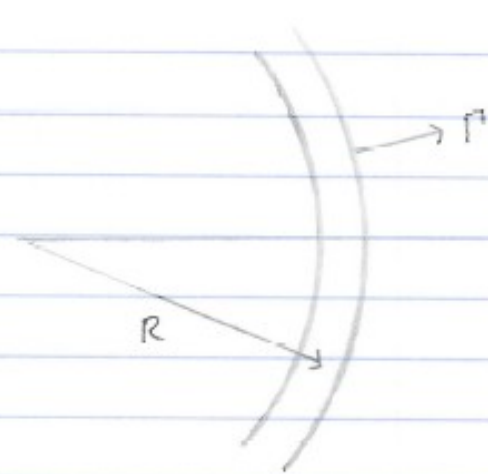
$$r_1' \approx \frac{c \delta_D t_v}{1+z},$$

Minimum bulk Lorentz factor  $\tau_{yy}(\varepsilon_1) = 1$

$$\Rightarrow \delta_{D,\min} \cong \left[ \frac{\sigma_T (1+z)^2 d_L^2 f_{\hat{\varepsilon}} \varepsilon_1}{2m_e c^4 t_v} \right]^{1/6}$$

$$\varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_1' \approx 2 \Rightarrow \hat{\varepsilon} \cong \frac{2\delta_D^2}{(1+z)^2 \varepsilon_1}$$

## $\gamma\gamma$ Opacity : $\delta$ -function approximation for Blast Wave



$$\Phi = \frac{L_{\gamma}}{4\pi d_L^2}$$

$$L_{\gamma} = \frac{dE_{\gamma}}{dt_{\gamma}} = \Gamma^2 \frac{dE'}{dt'} = \Gamma^2 L', \quad E_{\gamma} = \Gamma E' \\ dt_{\gamma} = dt' / \Gamma$$

$$\therefore f_{\epsilon} = \frac{\Gamma^2 \epsilon' L'(\epsilon')}{4\pi d_L^2} \quad \text{or} \quad \epsilon' L'(\epsilon') = \frac{4\pi d_L^2 f_{\epsilon}}{\Gamma^2}, \quad \epsilon' = \frac{(1+z)\epsilon}{\Gamma}$$

$$\frac{\epsilon' L'(\epsilon')}{4\pi R^2 c_{\text{mec}}^3 \epsilon'^2} = n'(\epsilon') = \frac{d_L^2 f_{\epsilon}}{R^2 \Gamma^2 c_{\text{mec}}^3 \epsilon'^2}$$

$$R \approx \Gamma^2 c_{\text{mec}} / (1+z), \quad \Delta R' \approx R / \Gamma$$

$$\tau_{\gamma\gamma}(\epsilon_i') \approx \frac{2}{3} \frac{\Delta R' \sigma_T n'(\epsilon_i')}{\epsilon_i'}$$

# Minimum Doppler factor approximation for Blast Wave

$$\tau_{\gamma\gamma}(\epsilon_i') \approx \frac{2}{3} \frac{\Delta R' \sigma_T n' (2/\epsilon_i')}{\epsilon_i'}$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \frac{R}{\Gamma} \frac{\sigma_T}{\epsilon_i'} \frac{d_L^2 f_e}{R^2 \Gamma^2 m_e c^2 \epsilon_i'^2} = \frac{\sigma_T d_L^2 f_e \epsilon_i'}{2 \cdot 3 \Gamma^3 R m_e c^2}, \quad \epsilon_i' = \frac{(1+z)\epsilon_i}{\Gamma}$$

$$\tau_{\gamma\gamma}(\epsilon_i) = \frac{\sigma_T (1+z)^2 d_L^2 f_e \epsilon_i}{6 \Gamma^4 t_v m_e c^4}$$

$$\tau_{\gamma\gamma}(\epsilon_i) = 1 \Rightarrow \Gamma_{\min} = \left[ \frac{\sigma_T (1+z)^2 d_L^2 f_e \epsilon_i}{6 t_v m_e c^4} \right]^{1/6}$$

$$\epsilon_i \epsilon_i' = 2 = \hat{\epsilon} = \frac{2 \Gamma^2}{(1+z)^2 \epsilon_i}$$

$$3^{1/6} \approx 1.2009..$$

$$\delta_{D,\min} \approx \left[ \frac{\sigma_T (1+z)^2 d_L^2 f_e \epsilon_1}{2 m_e c^4 t_v} \right]^{1/6}$$

# $\gamma\gamma$ opacity and $\Gamma_{\min}$ for PKS 2155-304

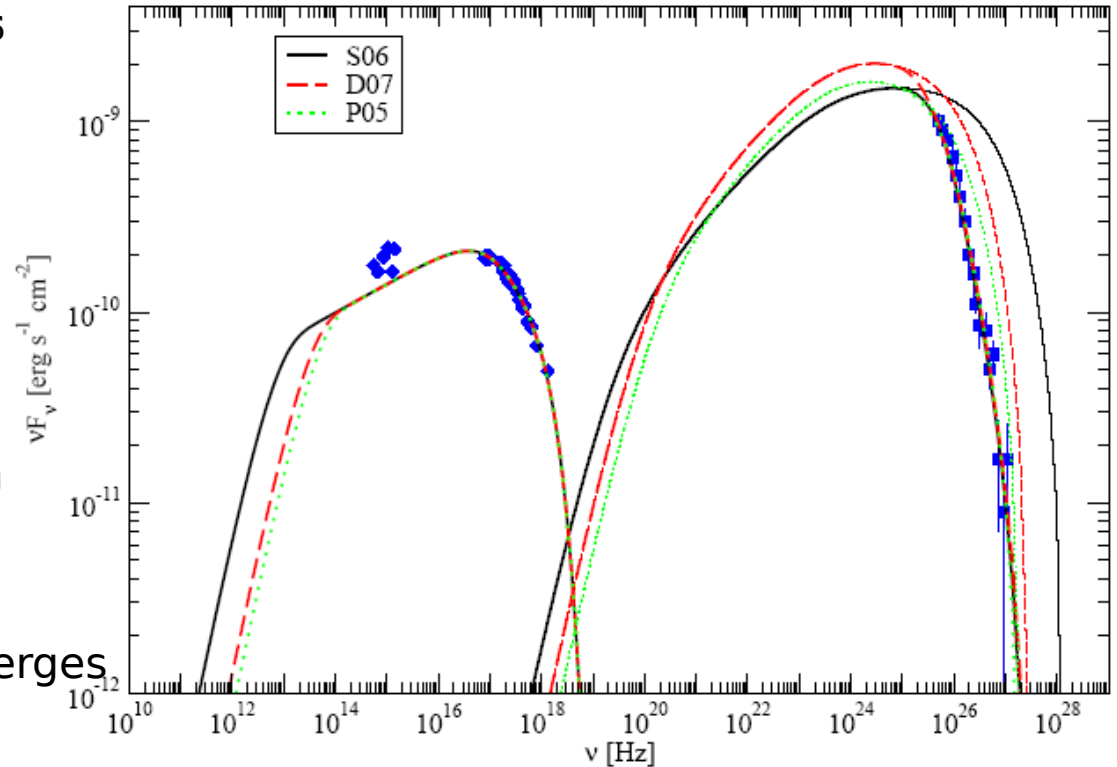
$$\delta_{D,\min} \cong \left[ \frac{\sigma_T (1+z)^2 d_L^2 f_{\hat{\varepsilon}} \varepsilon_1}{2m_e c^4 t_v} \right]^{1/6}$$

$$\hat{\varepsilon} \cong \frac{2\delta_D^2}{(1+z)^2 \varepsilon_1}$$

$$z = 0.116, d_L = 1.65 \times 10^{27} \text{ cm}$$

$$t_v = 300 t_{5m} \text{ s}$$

Solve iteratively, quickly converges



$$\delta_{D,\min} \cong 32 \left[ \frac{(f_{\hat{\varepsilon}} / 10^{10} \text{ erg s}^{-1} \text{ cm}^2) E_1 (\text{TeV})}{t_{5m}} \right]^{1/6}$$

$$E (\text{keV}) \cong 0.6 \frac{(\delta_D / 36)^2}{E_1 (\text{TeV})}$$

- Code of Finke et al. (2008)
- Includes internal  $\gamma\gamma$  opacity but not pair reinjection
- Sensitive to EBL model
- Fit to 2006 flare

# Synchrotron Self-Compton Model

Basic tool is one-zone synchrotron/SSC model with synchrotron self-absorption and internal pair production

Even this lacks pair reinjection; multiple self-Compton components

Deducing source redshift from high-energy spectra requires both good spectral model and good EBL model

What portion of synchrotron spectrum should be fitted?

Synchrotron/SSC model: Best fit model; parameter studies; extracting underlying electron distribution; variability analysis



# Synchrotron/SSC Modeling

Approximations (in the one-zone model)

## 1. $\delta$ -function approximation

zero-fold for synchrotron; 1 fold for SSC

Take KN effects into account by terminating integration when scattering enters the KN regime

Useful for analytic results; equipartition estimates; jet power calculations

## 2. Uniform approximation: $B$ , $\delta_D$ , and $R'$

a. Integrate elementary synchrotron emissivity over electron  $\gamma$ -factor distribution (assumed uniform throughout sphere)

b. Average synchrotron spectrum over blob to get target photon spectrum

c. Compton-scatter synchrotron photons using (isotropic) Jones formula, valid throughout Thomson and KN regimes

Provides accurate absolute power estimates (photon, particle, B-field)

given observing angle

for blazars,  $\Gamma \approx \delta_D$ ; for radio galaxies inferred from

## Fitting Routine

**Code written by  
Justin Finke**

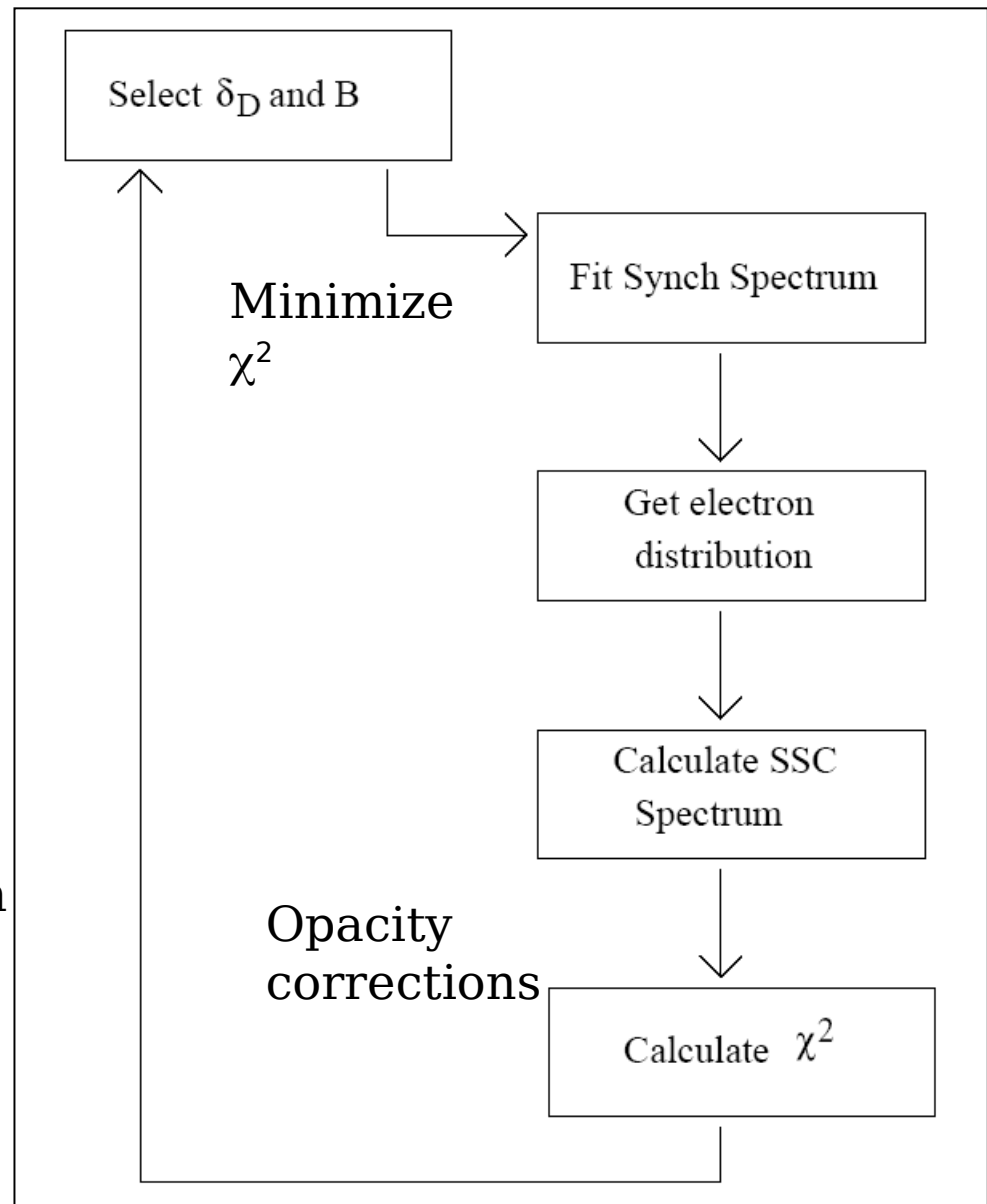
Write SSC as a function of:  
 $\delta_D$ ,  $B$ ,  $r_b'$ ,  $z$ ,  $N_e(\gamma)$ .

Use electron spectrum to  
calculate SSC using Jones  
(1968) formula

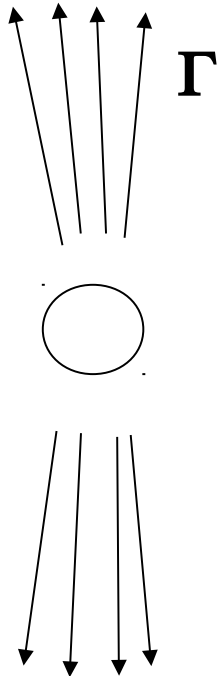
$\nu F_\nu^{\text{syn}}$  gives  $N_e(\gamma)$   
(CS86 expression)

Internal and EBL absorption  
calculated

Leaves two unknowns to fit:  
 $\delta_D$  and  $B$



# Jet Power



$$n_* = \frac{L_{j,ke}^*}{2\Omega_j R^2 (\Gamma m_e c^2) \beta c} = n'(\langle \gamma \rangle + \chi m_p / m_e)$$

$$L_B^* = 2\Omega_j c R^2 \beta \Gamma^2 \left( \frac{B^2}{8\pi} \right)$$

Total jet power = sum of particle kinetic and  
 Magnetic field power for equipartition (minimum energy)  
 magnetic field

Minimize jet power for measured synchrotron

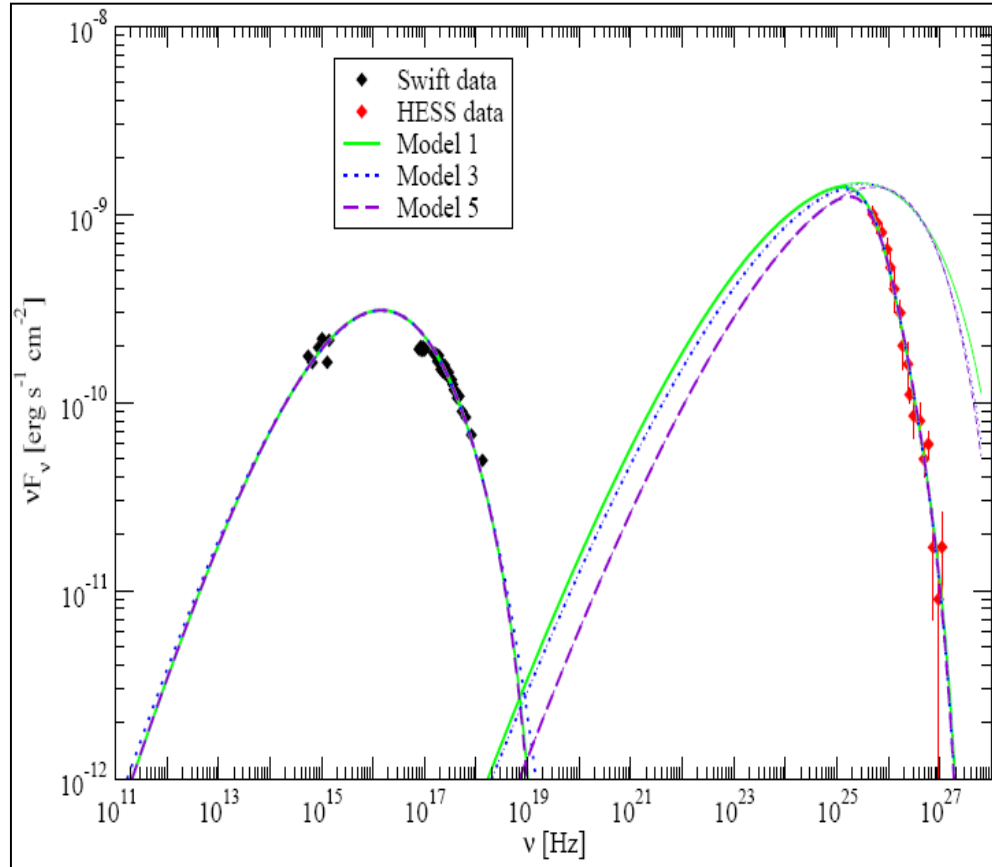
- Jet power flux total power available in jet (in observer frame)
- $L_j = 2\pi r_b' \beta \Gamma^2 c (u_B' + u_p')$  (Celotti & Fabian 1993)
- $dL_j / dB = 0 \rightarrow B_{\min}$  (equipartition)
- $B < B_{\min} \rightarrow u_p' \gg u_B'$  and  $f_{\text{SSC}} > f_{\text{syn}}$

Synchrotron spectrum implies minimum jet power;  
 additionally fitting  $\gamma$  rays gives deviation of model from  
 minimum jet power

# Results

**HESS data: 28 July, 2007**

**Swift data: 30 July 2007**



| Model    | $\delta_D$ | B<br>[mG]  | $t_{\text{var}}$<br>[s] | $L_j$<br>[ $10^{47}$<br>erg s $^{-1}$ ] |
|----------|------------|------------|-------------------------|---|
| <b>1</b> | <b>872</b> | <b>2.7</b> | <b>30</b>               | <b>4.4</b>                              |
| <b>3</b> | <b>367</b> | <b>3.6</b> | <b>300</b>              | <b>2.7</b>                              |
| <b>5</b> | <b>185</b> | <b>2.7</b> | <b>3000</b>             | <b>2.1</b>                              |

$$\gamma'_{\text{min}} = 1$$

Using EBL of Stecker et al. (2006).

Unreasonably high  $\delta_D$  and  $L_j$ .

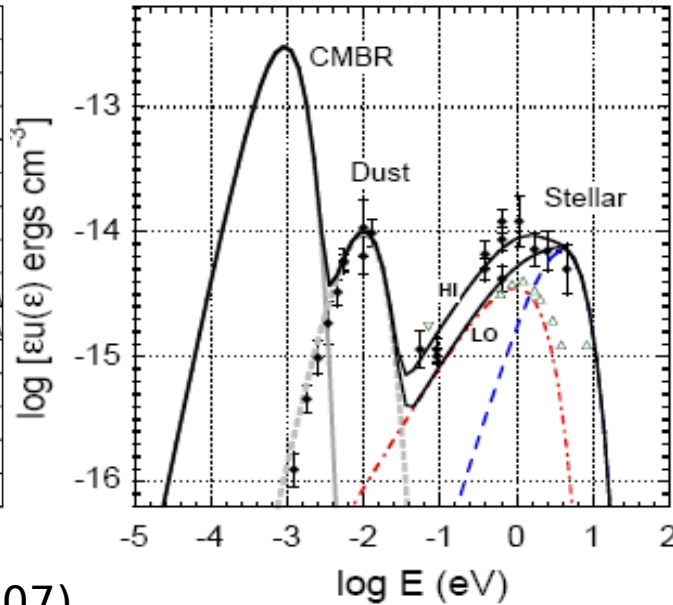
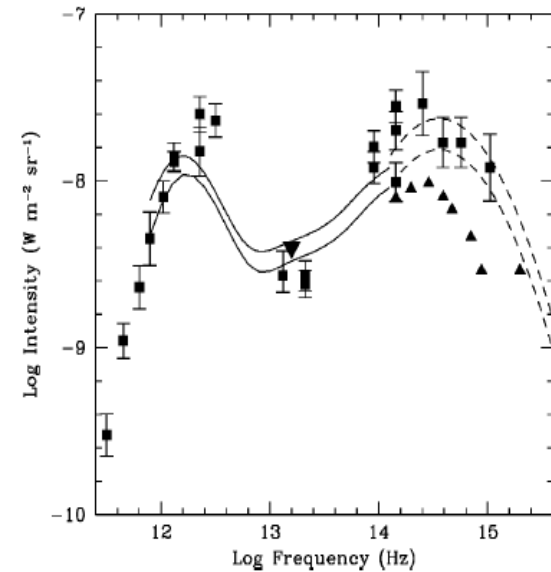
$$L_{\text{Edd}} = 10^{47} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$$

From radio obs.,  $\delta_D < 10$

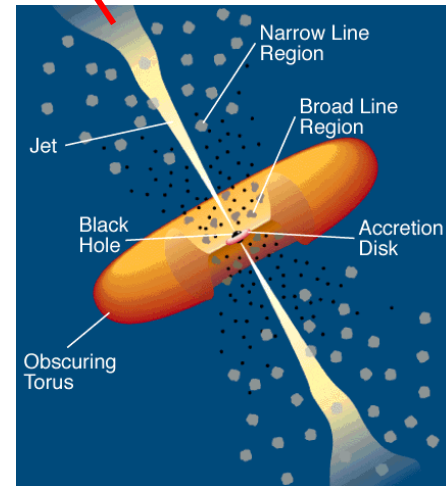
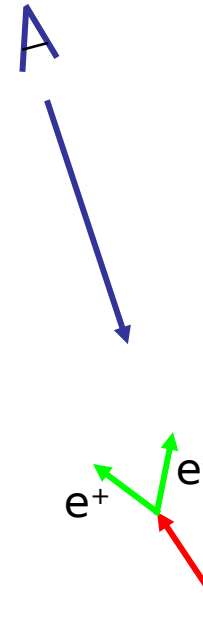
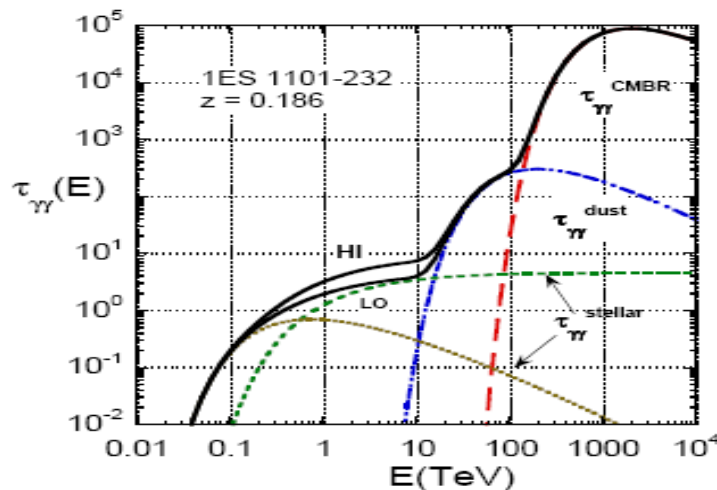
See [Finke et al., ApJ, 686, 181 \(2008\)](#), ApJ, for details

Can a lower IBL resolve problem?

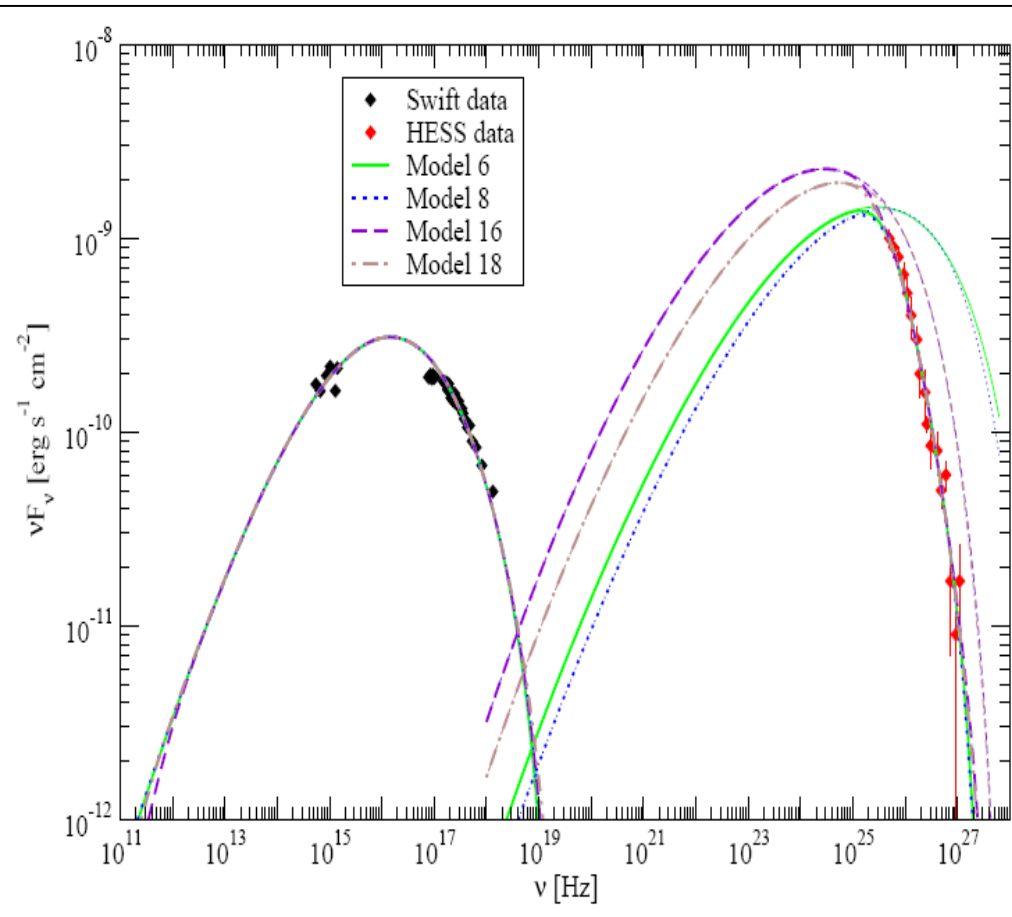
# $\gamma\gamma$ absorption by Extragalactic Background Light (EBL)



Stecker et al. (2006, 2007)



# Results



| Model | $\delta_D$ | B [mG] | $t_{\text{var}}$ [s] | $L_j$ [ $10^{47}$ erg s $^{-1}$ ] |
|-------|------------|--------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 6     | 895        | 2.5    | 30                   | 4.5                               |
| 8     | 390        | 3.0    | 300                  | 2.7                               |
| 16    | 261        | 81     | 30                   | 0.5                               |
| 18    | 139        | 57     | 300                  | 0.4                               |

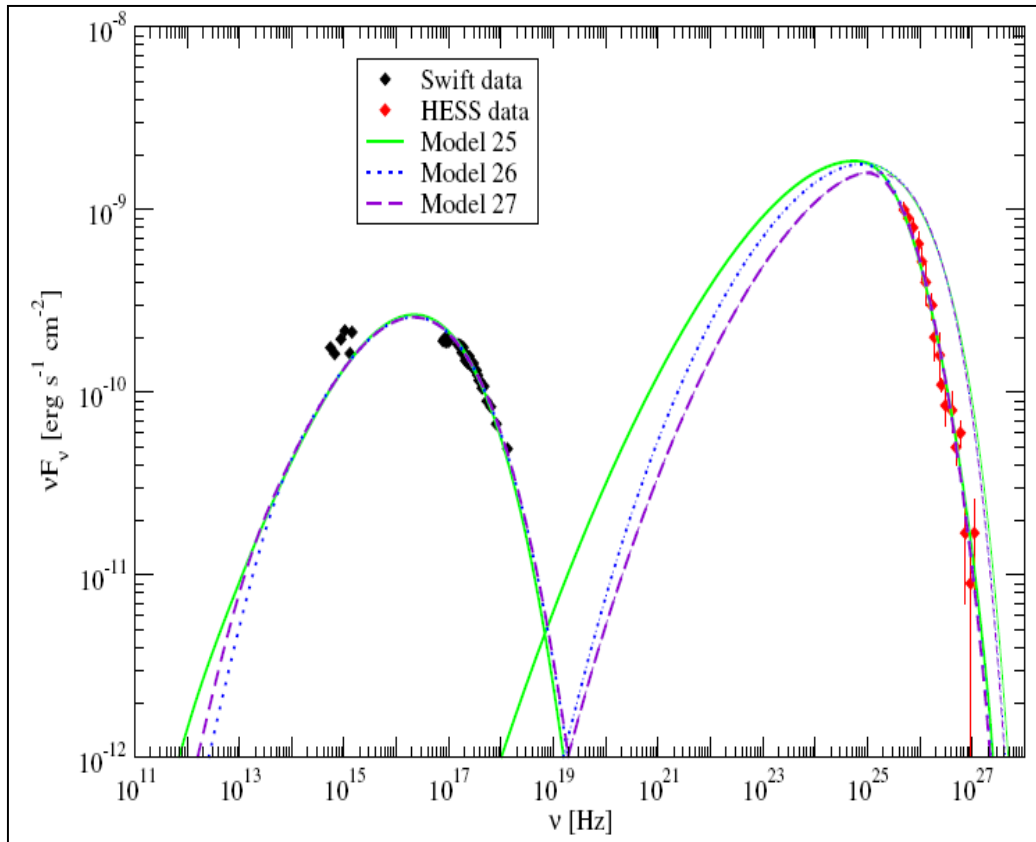
$$\gamma'_{\min} = 100$$

Lower EBL

$\Gamma < 10$  on pc scales (Piner & Edwards 2004)

GLAST could distinguish between these models

# Results



| Mode<br>I | $\delta_D$ | B<br>[mG] | $t_{\text{var}}$<br>[s] | $L_j$<br>[10 <sup>46</sup><br>erg s <sup>-1</sup> ] |
|-----------|------------|-----------|-------------------------|---|
| 25        | 246        | 89        | 30                      | 3.2   |
| 26        | 118        | 77        | 300                     | 2.1   |
| 27        | 64         | 47        | 300<br>0                | 2.2   |

Use electron spectrum  
to underfit optical data

Limited by  $\gamma\gamma$  in blob

X/ $\gamma$  correlations depends on  
 $\gamma\gamma$  attenuation



# PKS 2155-304 Modeling

□ Finke et al. (2008) model  
using Primack et al. (2005)  
EBL

$$t_{\text{var}} = 2 \text{ days}$$

$$p_1 = 3.2, 7.9e3 < \gamma < 3.2e5$$

$$p_2 = 4.7, 3.2e5 < \gamma < 7e6$$

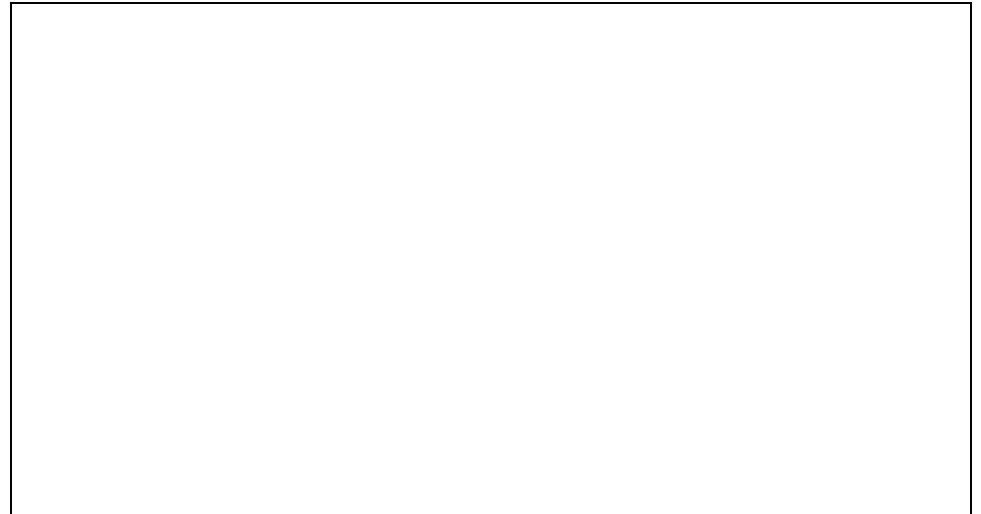
$$B = 0.044 \text{ G}$$

$$\Gamma = \delta_D = 23.4$$

$$\text{Jet power} = 3.5e45 \text{ ergs/s}$$

$$L_B = 9.1e43 \text{ ergs/s}$$

$$L_{\text{par}} = 3.4e45 \text{ ergs/s}$$

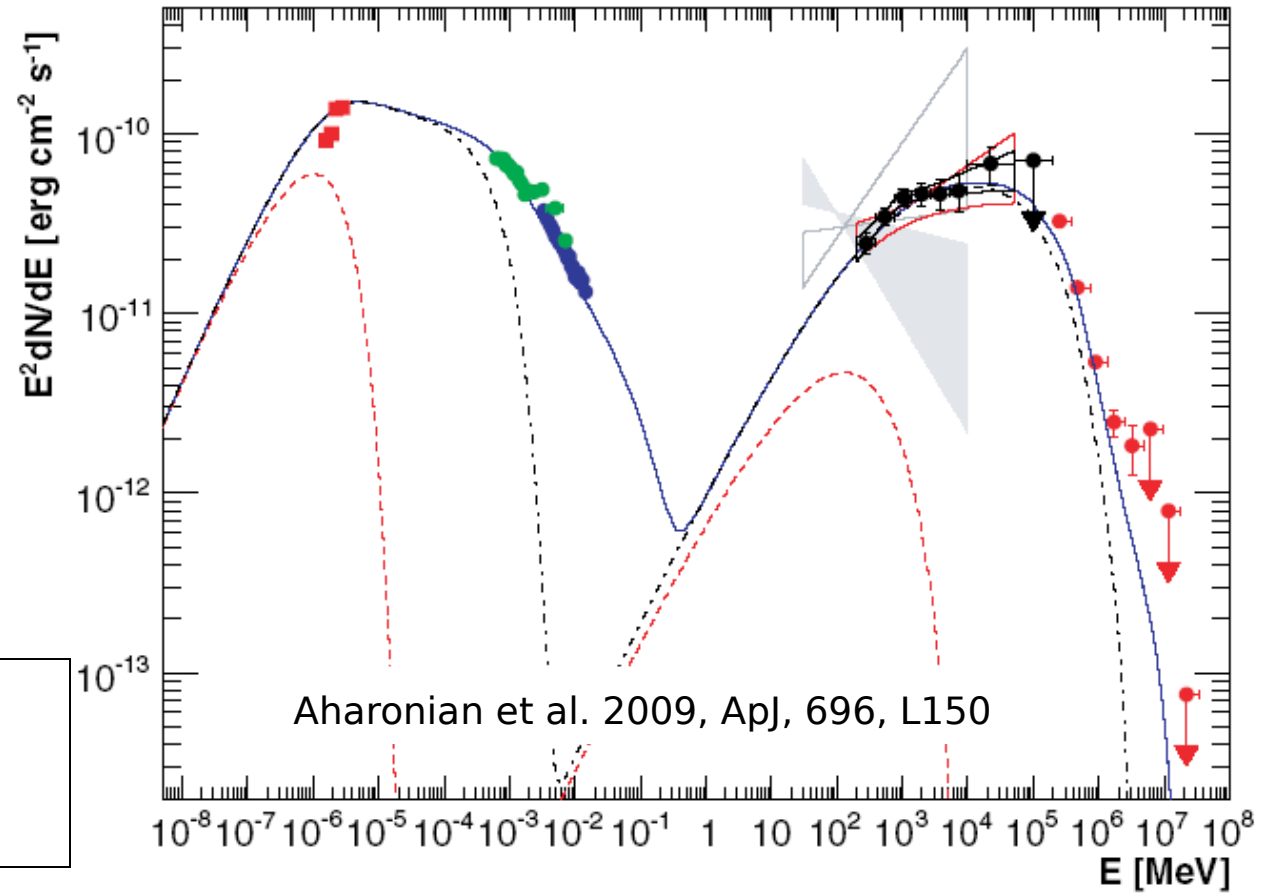


**Preliminary—not for distribution**

10 times more energy in nonthermal  
protons/hadrons as electrons

# Synchrotron/SSC Modeling of PKS 2155-304

- Fermi/HESS campaigns from 2008
- Fermi/RXTE campaigns from 2008/2009



**Preliminary—not for distribution**

# Monte Carlo Simulation of Synchrotron/SSC Model

Improved accuracy

Use accurate Compton kernel in the  
head-on approximation (Compton  
scattering, *not* inverse Compton scattering)

**Mersenne Twister for Random Number  
Generator**

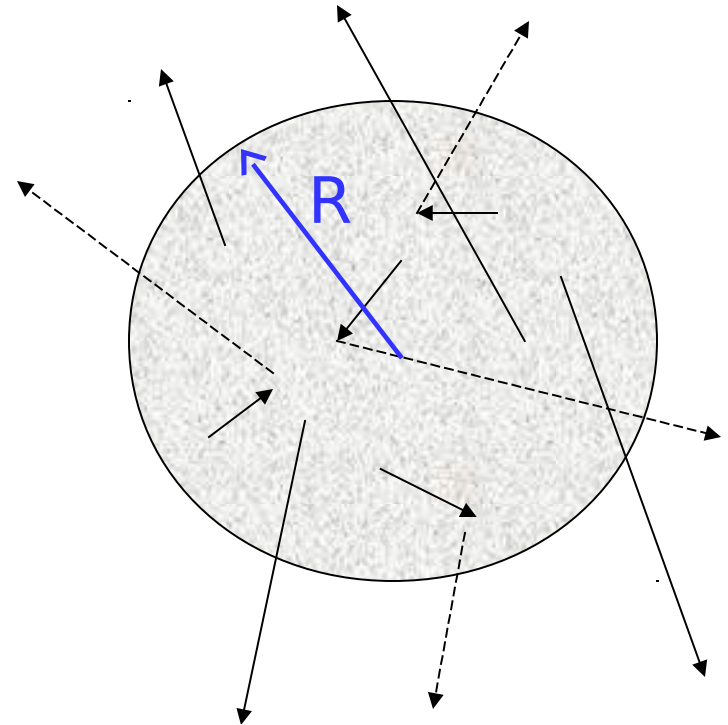
Check uniformity assumption  
(cf. Gould 1979)

Can consider non-radial electron  
distributions

Realistic  $\gamma\gamma$  opacity calculations

High energy tail for EBL s  $\Xi_C \equiv y + y^{-1} - \frac{2\epsilon_s}{\gamma\bar{\epsilon}y} + \left(\frac{\epsilon_s}{\gamma\bar{\epsilon}y}\right)^2 \quad y \equiv 1 - \frac{\epsilon_s}{\gamma}$

Photon conservation



$$\frac{d\sigma_C}{d\epsilon_s} \cong \frac{\pi r_e^2}{\gamma\bar{\epsilon}} \Xi_C H\left(\epsilon_s; \frac{\bar{\epsilon}}{2\gamma}, \frac{2\gamma\bar{\epsilon}}{1+2\bar{\epsilon}}\right)$$

$$\bar{\epsilon} = \gamma\epsilon(1 - \cos\hat{\psi})$$

# Synchrotron with Photon Conservation

Standard parameters:

$$n_e(\gamma) = k_{eo} \gamma^{-p} H(\gamma; \gamma_1, \gamma_2)$$

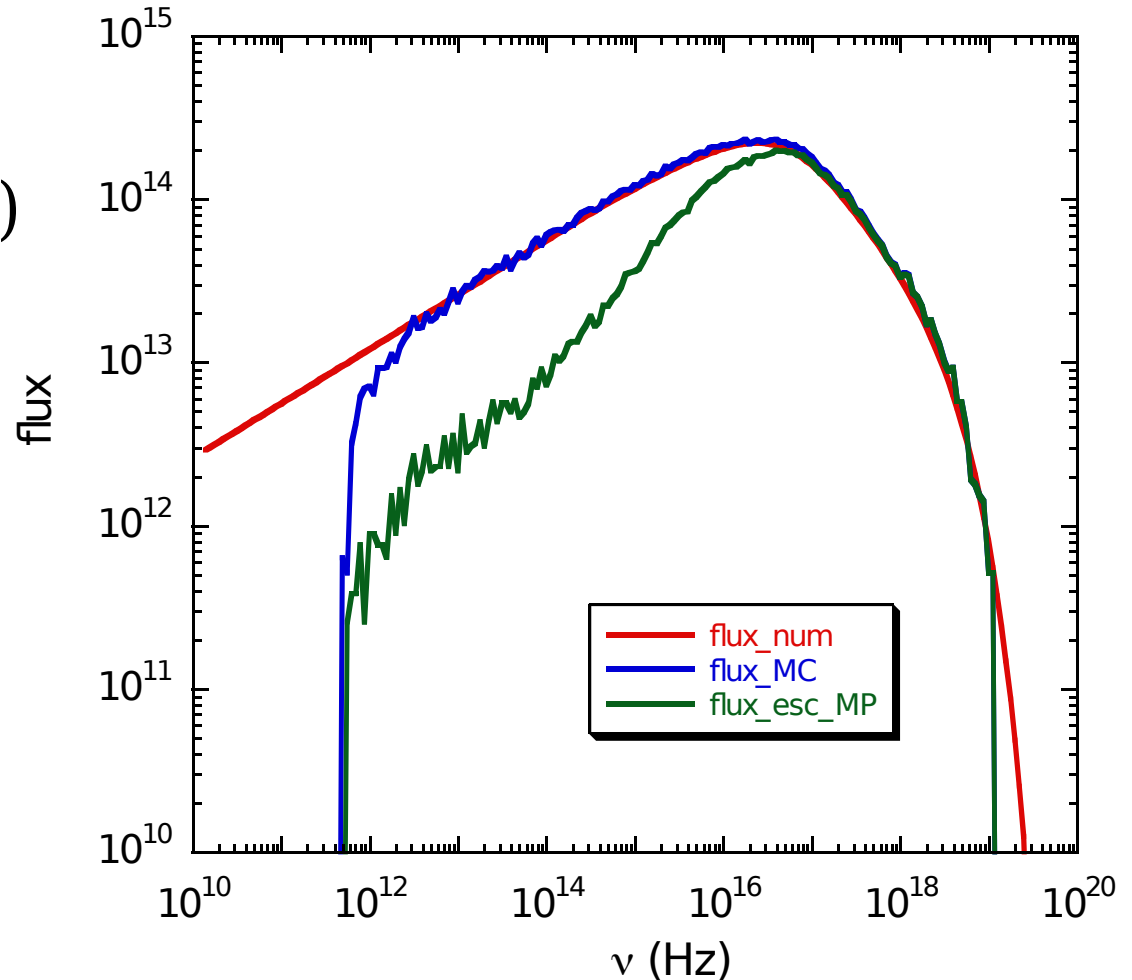
$$R = 10^5 \text{ cm}, p = 2.2$$

$$B = 1 \text{ G}$$

$$k_{eo} = \frac{n_{eo}(p-1)}{\gamma_1^{1-p} - \gamma_2^{1-p}}$$

$$n_{eo} = 10^{10} \text{ cm}^{-3},$$

$$\gamma_1 = 10^5, \gamma_2 = 10^6$$

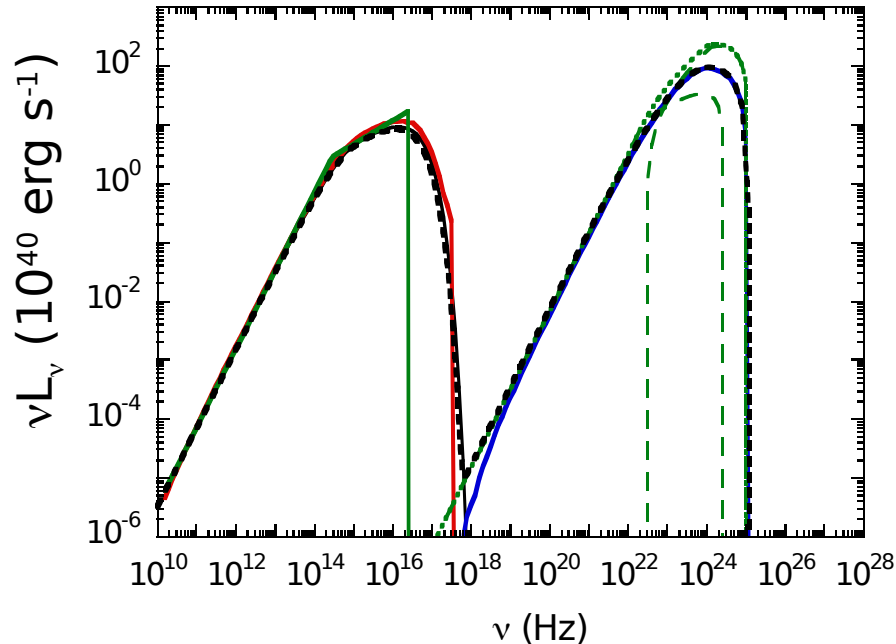


Scattering in KN regime

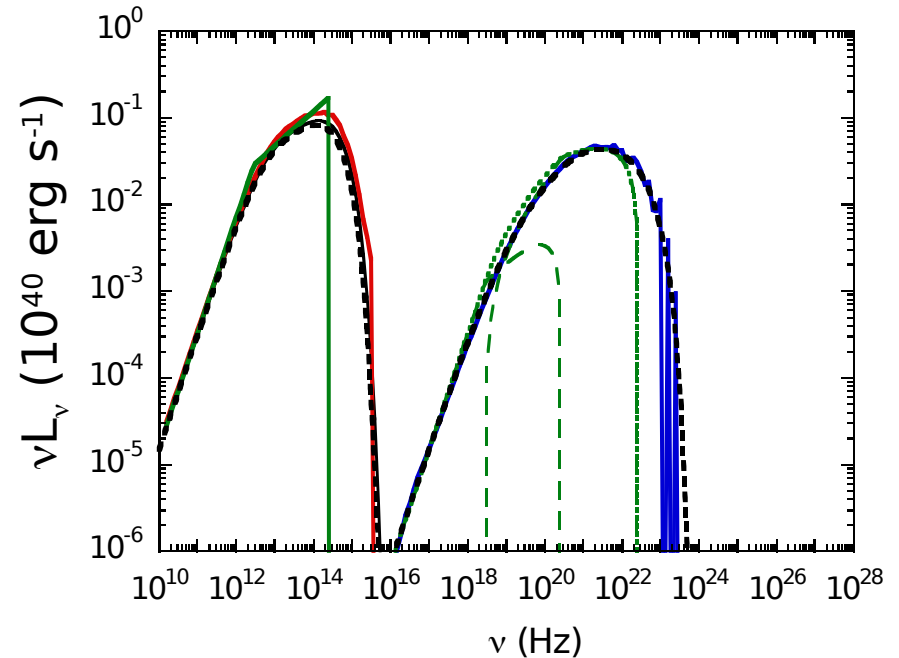
Solves “line of death” problem in GRB physics?

# Monte Carlo Synchrotron/SSC with Uniform Electrons and B-field

$$\gamma_1 = 10^4, \gamma_2 = 10^5$$



$$\gamma_1 = 10^3, \gamma_2 = 10^4$$



Comparison with  $\delta$ -function approximation

Discrepancies in amplitude

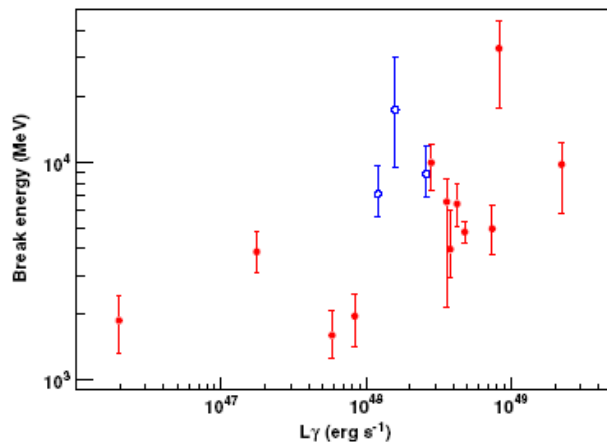
Discrepancies in high-energy cutoff (could improve it by using exponential cutoff in electron distribution)

Excellent agreement with numerical calculation (mean escape length = 3)

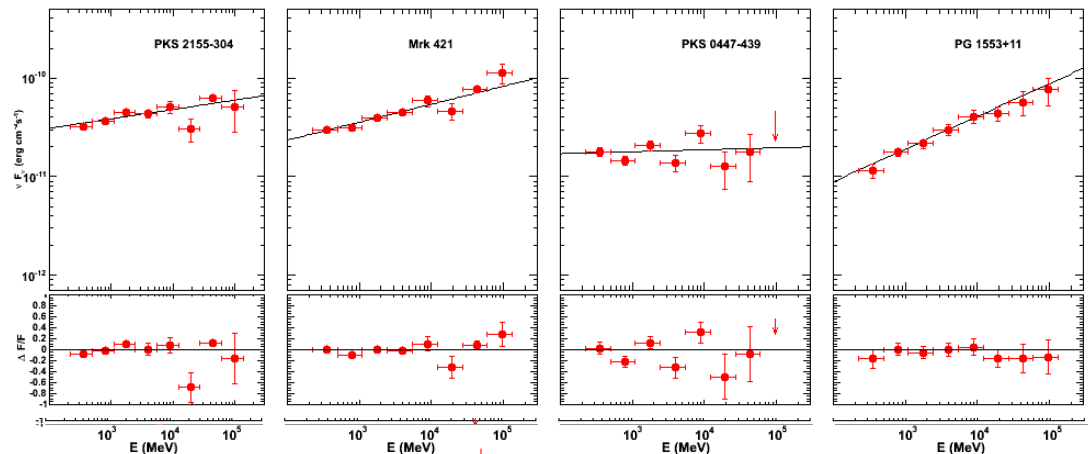
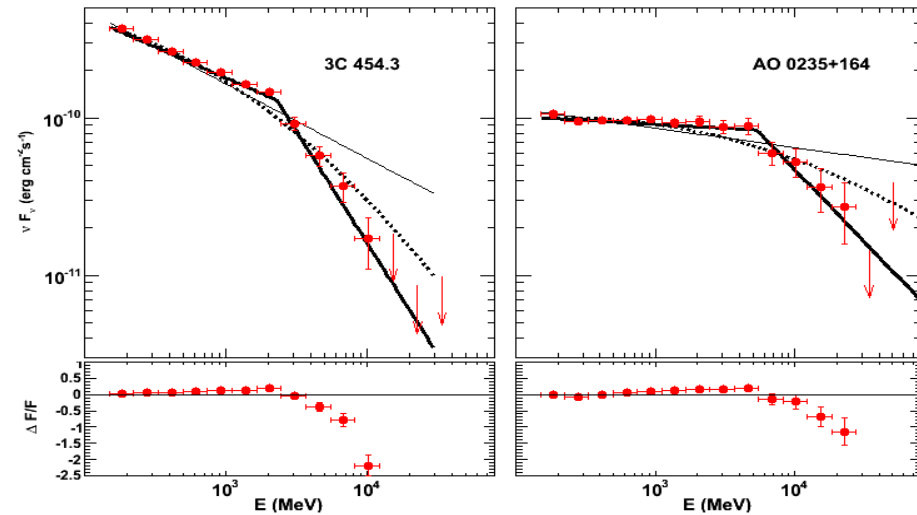
# Non-power law spectra

Abdo et al., 2010, ApJ, 710, 1271

- ❑ First definitive evidence of a spectral break above 100 MeV
- ❑ General feature in FSRQs and many BLLac-LSPs
- ❑ Absent in BLLac-HSPs
- ❑ Broken power law model seems to be favored
- ❑  $\Delta\Gamma \sim 1.0 > 0.5 \rightarrow$  not from radiative cooling
- ❑ Favored explanation: feature in the underlying particle distribution
- ❑ Implications for EBL studies and blazar contribution to extragalactic diffuse



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Challenge for modelers to account for the break and the relative constancy of spectral index with time

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# FSRQ Modeling

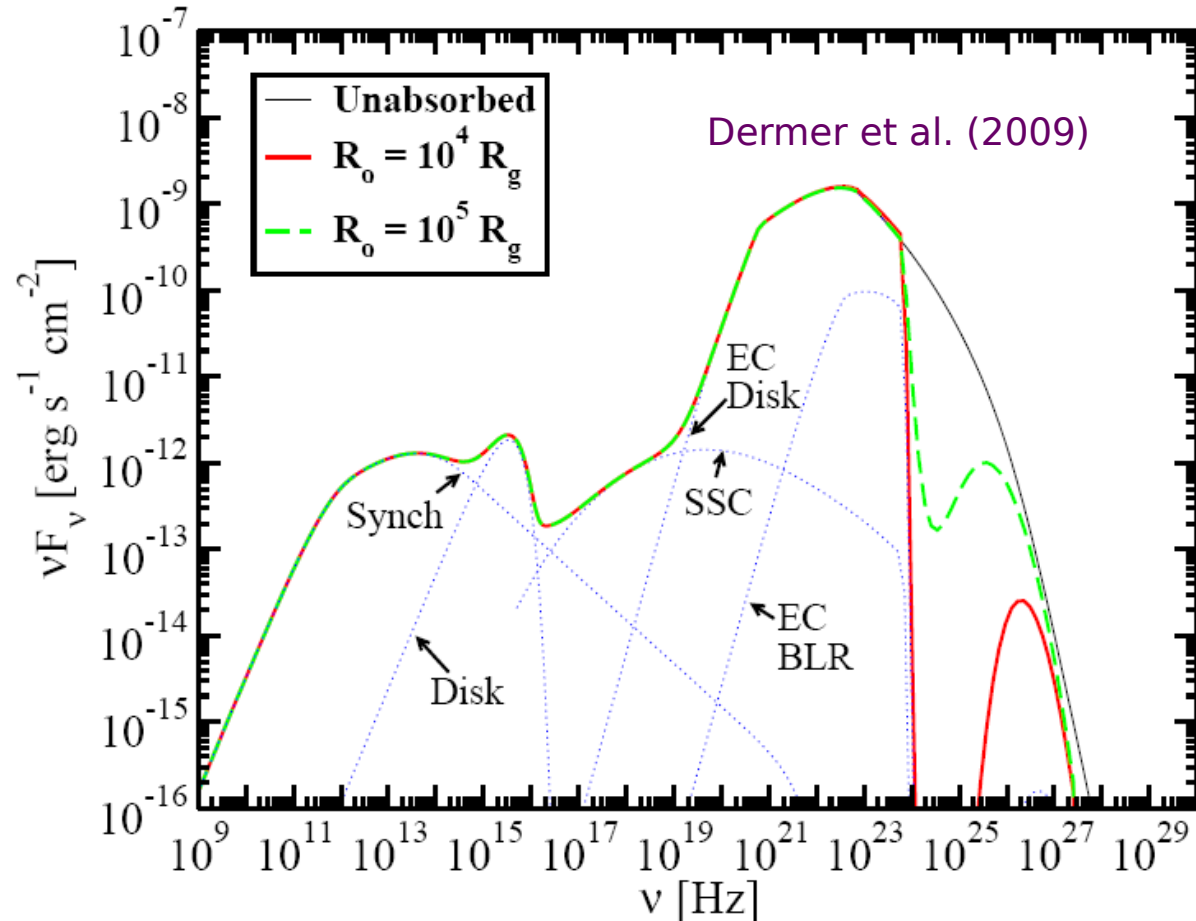
At least three additional spectral components:

- Accretion disk
- EC Disk
- EC BLR

Lots of parameters

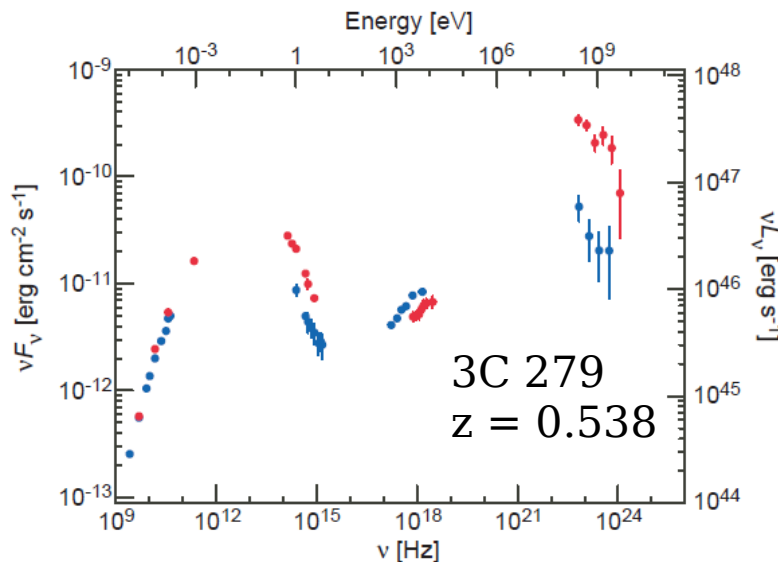
External radiation field provides a new source of opacity; need to perform Compton scattering and  $\gamma\gamma$  opacity self-consistently

Opacity spectral break at a few GeV

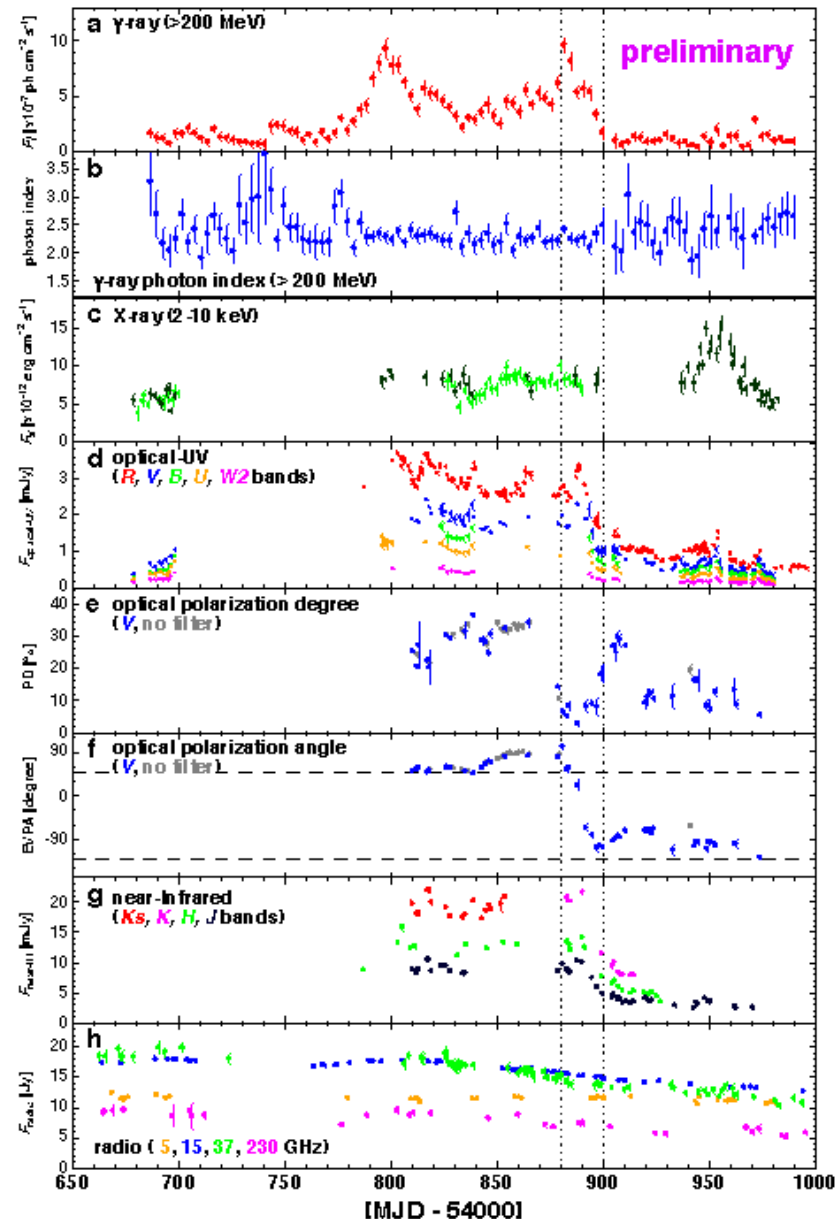


# 3C 279

- Where are the  $\gamma$ -rays made?
- Monitor long-term behavior of light curve
- Correlates with changes in optical polarization and flux
- Highly ordered magnetic field over long timescale

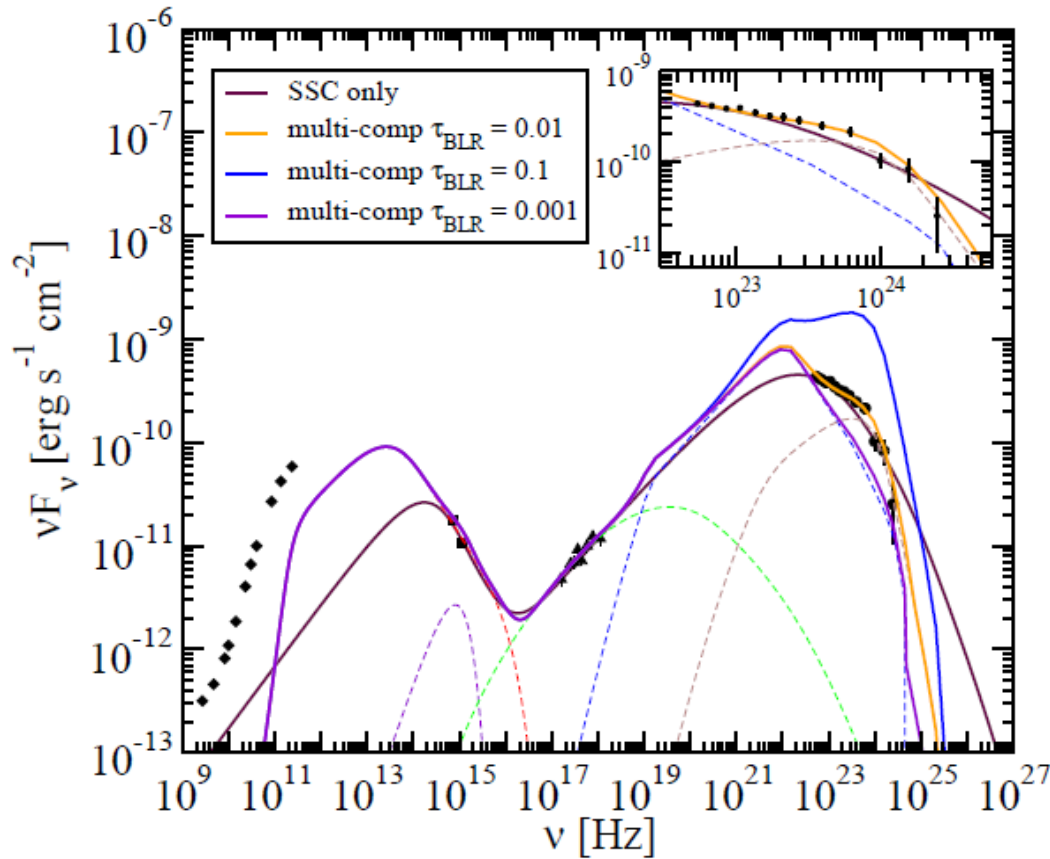


Abdo., et al. 2010, Nature, 463, 919

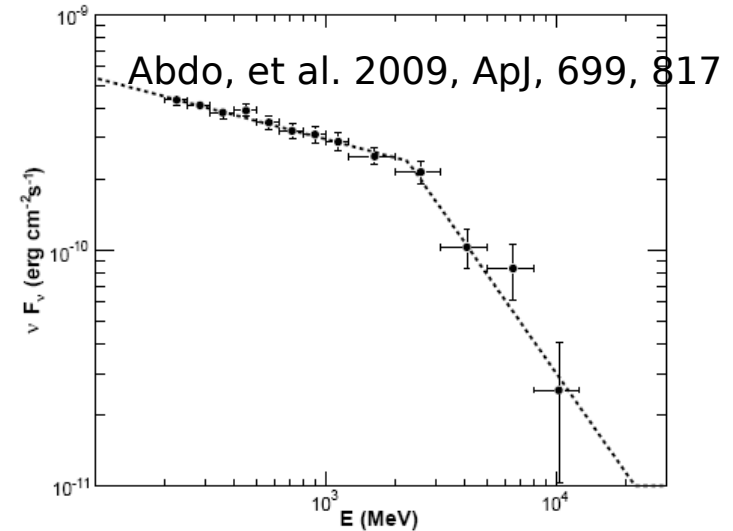




# Origin of Spectral Break in 3C454.3

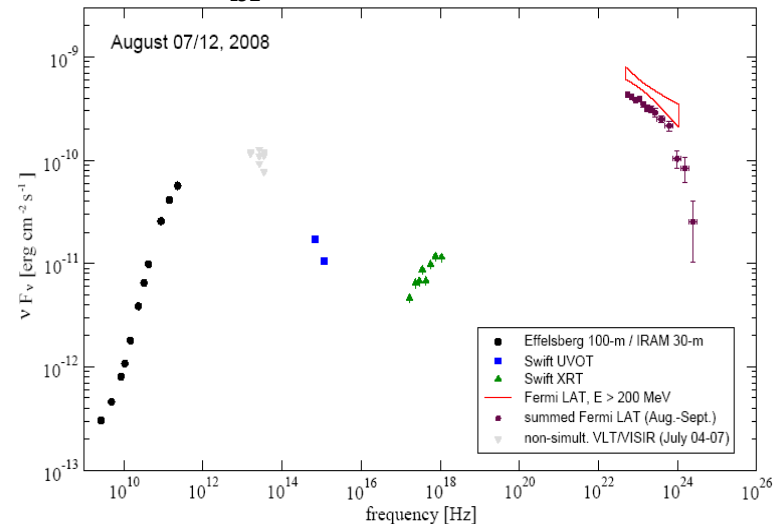


Finke and Dermer, 2010, submitted



$$\Gamma_{\text{low}} = 2.27 \pm 0.00, \Gamma_{\text{high}} = 0.0 \pm 0.00$$

$$E_{\text{br}} = 0.0 \pm 0.00 \text{ GeV}$$



# Relativistic jet physics

## **New results on blazars and radio galaxies:**

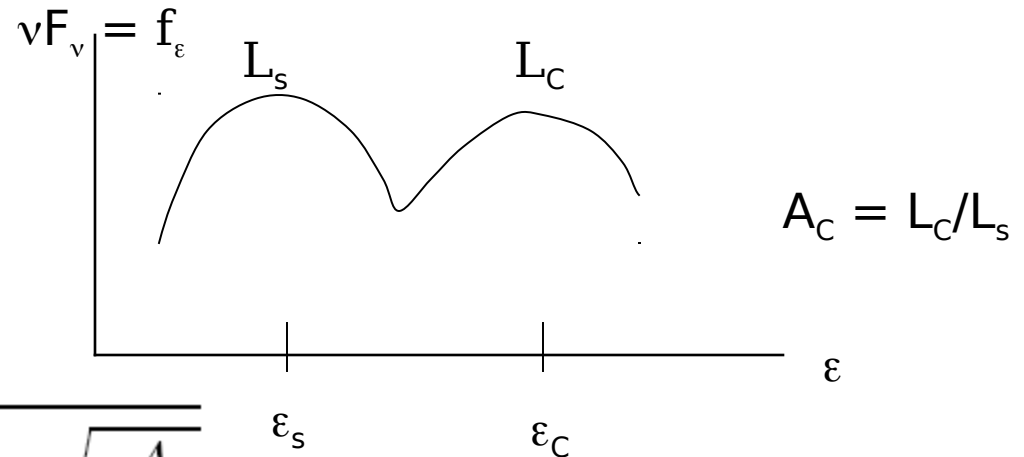
1. LBAS / 1LAC catalogs
2. Multi-GeV spectral softening in FSRQs, LBLs, IBLs; not XBLs
3. Multiwavelength quasi-simultaneous SEDs including GeV emission for radio galaxies, BL Lacs and FSRQs
4. 3C 279, PKS 1510-089: location of emission site; complexity of magnetic field
5. Use SED to constrain redshift from EBL model
6. Long (mo - yr) timescale light curves
7. High energy photons from blazar sources: minimum Doppler factor
8. Contemporaneous data sets for, e.g.,
  1. FSRQs 3C 454.3, 3C 279
  2. BL Lacs: Mrk 421, PKS 2155-304
  3. Radio galaxies: Cen A, M87, 3C 84

# Back-up Slides

# Synchrotron/SSC model in the Thomson regime

Can measure 6 defining quantities for syn/SSC model:

$z, t_v$



$$\Gamma \cong \frac{1}{\epsilon_s} \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_c}{ct_v B_{cr}}} \sqrt{\frac{2L_s}{cA_c}}$$

$$B \cong \frac{(1+z)B_{cr}\epsilon_s^3}{\epsilon_c^{3/2}} \sqrt{ct_v B_{cr} \sqrt{\frac{cA_c}{2L_s}}}$$

(Ghisellini et al. 1996)

$\Gamma > \Gamma_{\min}$

$$B_{cr} = m_e^2 c^3 / e \hbar \cong 4.414 \times 10^{13} \text{ G}$$

Thomson regime

$$\epsilon_c \epsilon_s \lesssim \left( \frac{\Gamma}{1+z} \right)^2$$

# Nonthermal Electron Synchrotron Radiation

If electrons are assumed to radiate the observed synchrotron  $\nu F_\nu$  spectrum, then in the  $\delta$ -function approximation for synchrotron emissivity

$$f_\varepsilon^{\text{syn}} = \frac{\delta_D^4 \varepsilon \mathcal{L}(\varepsilon)}{4\pi d_L^2}, \quad \varepsilon \mathcal{L}(\varepsilon) \cong \frac{4}{3} c \sigma_T \frac{B^2}{8\pi} \gamma^2 \times \gamma \mathcal{N}_e(\gamma)$$

So 
$$f_\varepsilon^{\text{syn}} = \frac{\delta_D^4 \varepsilon \mathcal{L}(\varepsilon)}{4\pi d_L^2} \Rightarrow \mathcal{N}_e(\gamma) \cong \frac{24\pi^2 d_L^2 f_\varepsilon^{\text{syn}}}{c \sigma B^2 \delta_D^4 \gamma^3}$$

$$\varepsilon \cong \frac{B}{B_{cr}} \gamma^2, \quad \varepsilon \approx \frac{\delta_D \varepsilon}{1+z} \Rightarrow \gamma \cong \sqrt{\frac{(1+z) \varepsilon B_{cr}}{\delta_D B'}}$$